

Thomas Fitch

TRACING OF FITCH NAMES

GILES:

Ebenezer Fitch, son of Governor Fitch, had a brother names Giles who was born 1745 amd died 1747 at two years of age. Then Ebenezer married Lydia Mills and they named one of their sons Giles. Giles, son of Ebenezer and Lydia, was born perhaps around 1762. The other children were born 1751 and up and appears that Ebenezer died in 1762 so Giles would probably be their last child.

Thomas I, Thomas II, Thomas III, Gov. Thomas, Ebenezer, Giles

Lydia Mills was from Wilton, and apparently Ebenezer and Lydia lived at Chestnut Hills, which is in the Wilton area.

Giles Fitch was on the pension list in 1832 and listed as 70 years old. That would make his birth date about 1762. It was stated that he was from Wilton, in Fairfield County, CT. Later on he moved to New York.

~~If~~ our John was descended from John or Nathaniel, he would be 2nd or 3rd cousin to this Giles. Since there were not that many Fitches left in Norwalk at that time they would no doubt know each other. *They were actually fairly close neighbors*

It was John's son, Nathaniel I, who named one of his boys Giles. Possibly from this connection. *(1792-1839)*

The War Pension File on Giles Fitch is on page 1203 under FITCH

Reads: CT Line, soldier lived at Norwalk in Wilton Parish in Fairfield County CT at enlistment, Applied 11 Sept. 1832, Chenango County, New York, aged 70, a resident of Greenfield in Saratoga County, New York. After the Rev. War the soldier moved to North Castle in Westchester County, New York for 2 years then moved to Greenfield in Albany County, now Saratoga County, New York.

Giles brother, Ebenezer II married Sarah Hobby from North Castle, Westchester County, New York. So far have not found out anything about a wife for Giles.

In "Norwalk" by Selleck it says that Lydia Mills was the daughter of Samuel Mills, Jr. and he was of Greenwich.

Since it appears our John spent most of his time in the Wilton area, owned land there, had Wilton friends, he would probably be well-acquainted with Giles.

Perhaps then Nathaniel I would have heard his father, John & maybe Gideon, talk of Giles Fitch from CT.

Descendants of Thomas Fitch

- Thomas Fitch b: October 12, 1612 in Bocking, Essex, England d: October 06, 1704 in Norwalk, Connecticut
+Anne Stacie b: 1613 in England m: November 09, 1632 in Essex, England.....poss. Bocking, Nov. 1 ?? d: 1680 in Norwalk, CT.....see notes
- 2 Thomas Fitch II b: 1630 in Bocking, Essex, England d: 1684 in Norwalk, Connecticut
+Ruth Clarke b: February 20, 1640/41 in Milford, New Haven County, CT.....kk m: 1662 d: 1709 in Woodbury, Litchfield, CT.....see notes
- 3 Sarah Fitch b: 1663
+John Ford b: in of Milford, CT
- 3 Thomas Fitch III b: 1665 in Norwalk, Connecticut d: May 10, 1731 in Norwalk Vital Rec., Vol. LR4, page 8a, Hall page 207
+Sarah
*2nd Wife of Thomas Fitch III:
+Rhoda
*3rd Wife of Thomas Fitch III:
+Rachel
- 3 Mary Fitch b: 1668 in Norwalk, Fairfield County, CT d: May 08, 1712 in Milford, New Haven Co., CT ... death date in question
+Daniel Terrell b: March 01, 1658/59 in of Milford, CT.....b. May 16, 1652 "Pioneer and Patriot families of Bradford, Co. Pa" m: Abt. 1687 in (based on children's births) d: June 10, 1727 in Milford, New Haven Co., CT
- 3 Samuel Fitch b: Abt. 1681 in Probably died young....."Norwalk" by Selleck
- 3 Infant Fitch b: in per kkfit
- 2 John Fitch b: 1633 in Bocking, Essex, England d: Aft. January 1713/14 in prob. Norwalk, CT and prob after Jan. of 1713/14
+Rebecca Lindall b: Bef. October 20, 1653 in New Haven, Connecticut.....date of baptism m: December 03, 1674 in Norwalk, Connecticut.....Norwalk Vital Records, LR1, page 112
- 3 John Fitch II b: September 29, 1677 in Norwalk, Connecticut "Edwin Hall", Norwalk Vital Rec., Vol. LR1, page 112 d: Bet. 1748 - 1760 in Norwalk, Connecticut
+Lydia Bushnell b: 1683 m: 1707 d: August 25, 1786 in New Canaan, Fairfield County, Connecticut
- 3 Rebecca Fitch b: January 15, 1678/79 in Norwalk, Connecticut, "Edwin Hall"
- 3 Nathaniel Fitch b: November 06, 1682 in Norwalk, Connecticut "Edwin Hall" d: March 24, 1742/43 in Norwalk, Connecticut
+Elizabeth
*2nd Wife of Nathaniel Fitch:
+Sarah Seeley b: Abt. 1690 m: Bef. 1729 in from Jacobus, pg 528 under Seeley d: Bef. 1739 in probably
*3rd Wife of Nathaniel Fitch:
+Anna Mallory m: Aft. 1738 d: Aft. 1743
- 3 Mary Fitch b: December 13, 1684
+Ebenezer Gregory b: October 26, 1683 in Norwalk, Connecticut m: December 11, 1711 in Norwalk, Connecticut.....or Dec. 13 d: May 30, 1761 in or 1760
- 2 Mary Fitch b: 1643 in Prob. Bocking, Essex, England d: December 25, 1730
+Matthew Sherwood b: 1643 m: June 28, 1669 d: October 26, 1715 in Stratford, Bridgeport, Fairfield Co., CT
- 3 Lemuel Sherwood
+Anne Wheeler
- 3 Mary Sherwood b: 1672 in Fairfield, Fairfield County, CT d: September 16, 1752 in Montville, CT
+Daniel Fitch b: August 16, 1665 in Norwich, New London Co., CT m: March 07, 1697/98 in Preston, CT d: June 03, 1711 in Trading Cove, Montville, CT
- 2 Ann Fitch b: 1645 in Bocking, Essex, England ... reported in Rootsweb, or 1638 from L.H. Fitch d: in Connecticut
+Stephen Hart m: 1661
*2nd Husband of Ann Fitch:
+John Thompson b: in of Farmington, CT m: 1696 in m. date from L.H. Fitch
- 2 Sarah Fitch b: 1647 in Prob. Bocking, Essex, England d: Bet. 1696 - 1704
+John Burr b: Abt. 1633 in of Fairfield, CT Prob. Roxbury, Norf. MA m: Bet. 1659 - 1672 d: March 19, 1692/93 in Fairfield County, CT
- 3 John Burr, Jr. b: May 02, 1673 in Fairfield, Fairfield County, CT d: November 1705 in Fairfield, Fairfield County, CT
+Elizabeth Hanford b: January 09, 1666/67 in Norwalk, Fairfield County, CT d: Bef. 1708
- 3 Sarah Burr b: July 25, 1675 in Fairfield, Fairfield County, CT d: June 15, 1697
+Charles Chauncey b: September 03, 1668 in Stratfield, Fairfield County, CT m: June 29, 1692 in Fairfield Co., Connecticut d: December 31, 1714 in Stratford, Fairfield County, CT
- 3 Seth Burr b: June 21, 1677 in Fairfield, Fairfield County, CT d: 1677 in Died young Fairfield, Fairfield Co., CT
- 3 Samuel Burr b: April 02, 1679 in Fairfield, Fairfield County, CT d: August 07, 1719 in Fairfield, Fairfield County, CT (or Charlestown, Suffolk Co., MA)
+Dorothy Thompson b: Abt. 1672 m: December 16, 1700
*2nd Wife of Samuel Burr:

- +Elizabeth Jenner b: February 11, 1670/71 m: June 19, 1707
- 3 Ebenezer Burr b: February 07, 1680/81 in Fairfield, Fairfield County, CT d: 1681 in Fairfield, Fairfield County, CT
- 3 Joseph Burr b: Abt. 1682 in Fairfield, Fairfield County, CT d: Abt. 1683 in in infancy
- 3 Mary Burr b: August 18, 1683 in Fairfield, Fairfield County, CT ... or Aug. 19 d: Abt. 1717
- +John Osborn b: Abt. 1683 m: Abt. 1702
- 3 Deborah Burr b: Abt. 1686 in Fairfield, Fairfield County, CT
- +Timothy Treadwell m: March 24, 1713/14 in Stratfield, CT
- 3 Dorothy Burr b: Abt. 1686 in Fairfield, Fairfield County, CT
- 3 Jonathan Burr b: Abt. 1687 in Fairfield, Fairfield County, CT d: April 1710 in Fairfield, Fairfield County, CT (between 1710-1711 see estate dist.)
- 3 David Burr b: Abt. 1689 in Fairfield, Fairfield County, CT d: in Died young, tho still living at time of father's will, 1693/94

Descendants of Nathaniel Fitch

Nathaniel Fitch b: November 06, 1682 in Norwalk, Connecticut "Edwin Hall" d: March 24, 1742/43 in Norwalk, Connecticut
+Elizabeth
.... 2 Abigail Fitch
.... 2 Elizabeth Fitch d: Bet. 1743 - 1748 in from the will of her father
..... +Jabez Crane b: May 09, 1712 in Stratfield, CT or 1714 d: 1748 in Norwalk, CT.
..... 3 Mary Sherman Crane
..... 3 William Crane
..... 3 Lucretia Crane
.... 2 Mary Fitch
.... 2 John Fitch b: Abt. 1710 d: 1748 in Norwalk, Connecticut
..... +Elizabeth Beers b: Abt. 1717 in Fairfield County, CT, in the Fairfield area.....from IGI d: Abt. 1786 in Fairfield, County, CT
..... 3 John Fitch, Jr. b: Abt. 1737 d: 1815 in probably Tunkhannock, PA
..... +Elizabeth Lockwood b: March 13, 1747/48 m: November 06, 1766 in Weston, CT. (poss. Trinity Episcopal Church) d: Bef.
1784
..... 4 John Fitch, Jr. b: Bef. 1777 d: 1792 in Norwalk, CT poss. of smallpox, see notes
..... 4 Gideon Fitch b: 1771
..... 4 Susanna Fitch b: Bet. 1766 - 1777
..... 3 Elizabeth Fitch b: in of Norwalk, CT d: Bef. 1777 in Probably Fairfield, Fairfield Co., CT.....children called heirs in gr.mother's
will
..... +David King b: December 17, 1746 in of Greens Farms, Fairfield Co., CT m: April 09, 1767 in Wilton, CT
..... 4 Nathaniel Fitch King b: Bef. April 23, 1768 in Fairfield County, CT d: in still living in 1786 at distr. of Eliz. Ellis estate
..... 4 Elizabeth Betsey King b: Abt. 1774
..... +William Griffith m: October 16, 1791 in Weston, CT.
..... 4 Sarah Catherina King b: Bef. July 01, 1770 in Fairfield County, CT
..... 3 Nathaniel Fitch b: Abt. 1735 in not sure where I found this reference of birth year d: 1766 in Fairfield, CT
..... 3 Susannah Fitch
.... 2 Lindall Fitch b: Abt. 1717 d: March 24, 1773 in New Canaan, Fairfield County, Connecticut
..... +Mary Bartlett b: April 17, 1716 in of New Canaan, CT m: Abt. 1741
..... 3 Seymour Fitch b: Bef. June 27, 1742 in CT d: April 24, 1799 in New Canaan, Fairfield Co., CT.....New Canaan Church Rec.
Vol. 1, pg 90
..... +Elizabeth Hoyt m: April 17, 1763 in Norwalk/Stamford, CT.....Barbour, page 23 says April 7, 1763
..... 4 Seymour Fitch II b: May 14, 1764 in New Canaan, Fairfield County, Connecticut d: April 23, 1834 in Walton, Delaware
County, New York (Northfield, North Walton)
..... +Dina Hoyt b: January 07, 1762 in of Wilton when married m: January 01, 1784 in Norwalk/Stamford, CT.....by Rev.
Justus Mitchell d: February 03, 1846 in Walton, Delaware County, New York Northfield, North Walton)
..... 5 Thaddeus Fitch b: December 23, 1784 in New Canaan, Fairfield County, Connecticut d: November 28, 1879 in Walton,
New York
..... +Hannah Mead
..... *2nd Wife of Thaddeus Fitch:
..... +Hannah Hanford m: 1808
..... 5 Elizabeth Fitch b: September 14, 1786 in New Canaan, Fairfield County, Connecticut d: January 27, 1825 in Walton,
New York
..... +Thomas Nash b: September 30, 1780 m: October 12, 1806 in Walton, New York, Delaware County d: January 06,
1816 in Ohio of yellow fever
..... 5 Seth Fitch b: September 14, 1786 in New Canaan, Fairfield County, Connecticut d: October 05, 1797 in poss. Walton,
New York
..... 5 Mary Fitch b: October 19, 1789 in New Canaan, Fairfield County, Connecticut d: April 19, 1827 in Walton, Delaware
County, New York
..... +Joseph Osborn m: February 21, 1826 in Walton, Delaware Co., New York, by Rev. Isaac Headley
..... 5 Hannah Fitch b: May 29, 1792 in Walton, New York d: July 31, 1834 in Walton, New York
..... +Ira Benedict m: November 11, 1811 in Walton, Delaware Co., New York
..... 5 Lewis Fitch b: April 13, 1794 in Walton, New York d: March 05, 1827 in Walton, New York
..... +Thankful Benedict m: February 06, 1821 in Walton, Delaware Co., New York
..... 5 Seymour Fitch III b: June 15, 1797 in Walton, New York
..... 5 Alvah Fitch b: August 26, 1799 in Walton, New York d: November 01, 1804 in Walton, Delaware County, New York
at 5 years
..... 5 Hiram Fitch b: July 26, 1801 in Walton, Delaware County, New York d: June 18, 1843 in Walton, New York
..... 4 Lindell Fitch b: April 04, 1766 in New Canaan, Fairfield County, Connecticut d: February 23, 1841 in Walton, Delaware
County, New York

..... +Elizabeth Benedict b: October 17, 1767 m: January 22, 1789 in New Canaan, Fairfield County, Connecticut.....Walton? d:
 February 10, 1806 in Walton, Delaware County, New York
 5 Ezra Fitch b: October 17, 1789 in New Canaan, Fairfield County, Connecticut
 +Sally Wood b: December 08, 1799 m: September 21, 1820
 5 Caleb Fitch b: December 18, 1791 in Walton, Delaware County, New York d: October 28, 1814 in While in the Army
 5 Mehitable Fitch b: November 29, 1793 in Walton, Delaware County, New York
 +Charles Gasper m: August 13, 1813
 5 Elizabeth Fitch b: April 06, 1796 in Walton, Delaware County, New York
 +Eliphalet Seeley m: November 25, 1828
 5 Darius Fitch b: March 29, 1798 in Walton, Delaware County, New York d: November 17, 1861 in Walton, Delaware
 County, New York
 +Lavina Wood m: September 04, 1825 in Walton, Delaware Co., New York
 5 Cyrenus Fitch b: January 05, 1801 in Walton, Delaware County, New York d: March 25, 1856 in Plainfield, Illinois
 (or 1855)
 +Isabella Graham m: September 11, 1828 d: April 03, 1853
 5 Deborah Fitch b: January 13, 1803 in Walton, Delaware County, New York
 +Mathias St. John Benedict m: September 08, 1825
 5 Benedict Fitch b: November 25, 1805 in Walton, Delaware County, New York d: January 23, 1862
 +Lucinda Hoyt b: July 18, 1810 m: September 18, 1828 d: November 11, 1893
 *2nd Wife of Lindell Fitch:
 +Eleanor Heath b: 1769 m: 1811 in New Canaan, CT d: 1841
 4 Ezra Fitch b: March 06, 1768 in New Canaan, Fairfield County, Connecticut d: 1827 in Walton, New York
 5 Lewis Fitch
 4 Nathaniel Fitch b: January 05, 1770 in New Canaan, Fairfield County, Connecticut d: May 25, 1818 in Walton, Delaware
 County, New York
 +Anna Smith b: May 01, 1767 m: November 11, 1790 in New Canaan, CT....Norwalk Vital Rec., Vol. LR18, page 16 d:
 February 11, 1837
 5 Polly Fitch b: December 27, 1792 in New Canaan, Fairfield County, Connecticut d: March 11, 1815 in Walton,
 Delaware County, New York
 +Zinus Hanford m: February 10, 1811
 5 Anna Fitch b: January 15, 1795 in New Canaan, Fairfield County, Connecticut.....near Stamford d: July 22, 1864 in
 Walton, Delaware County, New York
 +Anson White b: September 15, 1793 m: September 16, 1818 d: February 01, 1872
 6 William N. White b: in of Athens, Georgia
 5 Nathaniel Fitch II b: June 01, 1797 in New Canaan, Fairfield County, Connecticut d: August 12, 1872 in Walton,
 Delaware County, New York
 +Sally Benedict b: August 06, 1798 m: October 02, 1817 d: February 17, 1879
 6 George William Fitch b: 1837 in of Walton, New York d: 1899
 +Harriet Sinclair b: 1839 m: 1861 d: 1928
 6 Augustus Poss Son Fitch b: 1841
 5 Esther Fitch b: May 23, 1799 in New Canaan, Fairfield County, Connecticut d: April 28, 1880 in Walton, Delaware
 County, New York
 5 Eliza Fitch b: December 02, 1809 in Walton, Delaware County, New York d: February 15, 1837 in Walton, Delaware
 County, New York
 5 Charles Smith Fitch b: May 31, 1812 in Walton, Delaware County, New York d: May 14, 1893 in Sidney, New York
 +Ellen Silliman b: 1813 m: September 04, 1833 in Hobart, New York d: February 12, 1880
 *2nd Wife of Charles Smith Fitch:
 +Julia M. Shipherd b: February 01, 1839 m: February 01, 1881 d: September 15, 1915
 4 Asa Fitch b: May 16, 1772 in New Canaan, Fairfield County, Connecticut d: July 17, 1842 in Walton, Delaware County,
 New York
 +Damaris Reed b: February 23, 1771 in New Canaan, Fairfield County, Connecticut m: February 29, 1792 in New Canaan,
 Fairfield County, Connecticut d: November 13, 1843 in Walton, Delaware County, New York
 5 Elizabeth Betts Fitch b: August 08, 1793 in New Canaan, CT d: February 09, 1866 in Walton, New York
 +Thomas Alverson m: March 02, 1817 in Walton, Delaware Co., New York
 5 Hannah Weed Fitch b: February 04, 1795 in New Canaan, CT d: December 08, 1835 in Ohio
 +Charles Andrews
 *2nd Husband of Hannah Weed Fitch:
 +Mart Boyle
 5 Lewis Butcher Fitch b: March 13, 1797 in New Canaan, CT d: May 29, 1877 in Delhi, Delaware County, New York
 +Bethaiah Hoyt m: 1830
 *2nd Wife of Lewis Butcher Fitch:

..... +Eliza Kelly m: August 18, 1853 in Delhi, New York
 5 Cyrus Fitch b: January 15, 1799 in New Canaan, CT d: January 25, 1886 in Athens, Pennsylvania
 +Evelina Eels b: Abt. 1803 in New Canaan, CT m: September 29, 1825 in Walton, Delaware Co., New York
 6 Hannah Fitch b: Abt. 1828
 6 Samuel Fitch b: Abt. 1829
 6 Elias Fitch b: Abt. 1831
 6 Charles Fitch b: Abt. 1834
 6 Byron Fitch b: Abt. 1836
 6 Seymour Fitch b: Abt. 1838
 6 William Fitch b: Abt. 1841
 6 Eli G. Fitch b: April 28, 1843
 +Emma J. St. John
 5 Samuel Fitch b: July 16, 1800 in New Canaan, CT d: February 24, 1873 in Walton, New York
 +Almina Raymond
 6 Joseph Fitch b: 1826
 5 Ruth Fitch b: February 16, 1802 in New Canaan, CT d: February 09, 1866 in Walton, New York
 5 Lucretia Fitch b: November 13, 1803 in Walton, New York d: October 29, 1859
 +Lewis Patchen m: October 28, 1827 in Walton, Delaware Co., New York
 5 Linus Fitch b: July 03, 1805 in Walton, New York d: July 23, 1844 in Ohio
 +Julia Palmer
 5 Harriet Fitch b: May 16, 1807 d: May 08, 1873 in Walton, New York
 +Linus Raymond m: in Walton, Delaware Co., New York
 5 Mary Ann Fitch b: August 19, 1809 in Walton, New York d: August 08, 1883
 +Hosea Mora m: 1836 in Delaware County, New York
 5 John Fitch b: March 31, 1811 in Fitch Hill, Pines Brook, Walton, New York d: 1897
 +Betsy Schofield b: 1814 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York m: Abt. 1834 in Delaware County, New York d:
 September 15, 1852 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York
 6 Sanford H. Fitch b: 1836 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York d: Aft. 1865 in possibly Ohio
 6 Ruth A. Fitch b: 1837 in Delaware County, New York d: September 07, 1852 in Masonville, Delaware County,
 New York
 6 Mahlon Fitch b: June 08, 1841 in a twin with Malvina
 6 Malvina Hannah Fitch b: June 08, 1841 in Walton, Delaware County, New York.....twin with Mahlon d: June 24,
 1881 in Hartsville, Steuben County, New York
 6 Gilbert Fitch b: 1842 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York
 6 Arthur S. Fitch b: 1844 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York
 6 Harvey Fitch b: 1845 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York d: Bef. July 1882
 +Alice L. Unknown b: Abt. 1847 d: Aft. July 1882
 6 Phoebe A. Fitch b: 1847 in Delaware County, New York d: September 20, 1852 in Masonville, Delaware County,
 New York
 6 Lydia Ann Fitch b: Abt. 1849 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York
 6 Ruth Ann Fitch II
 6 Catherine Fitch b: September 05, 1852 in Masonville, Delaware County, New York d: September 05, 1852 in
 Masonville, Delaware County, New York
 *2nd Wife of John Fitch:
 +Betsy Houghtaling m: May 15, 1858
 5 Damaris Lucilla Fitch b: December 17, 1812 d: September 17, 1893 in Walton, New York
 +Albert Pine m: September 17, 1840 in Walton, Delaware Co., New York
 5 Asa Hanford Fitch b: March 19, 1815 in New Canaan, CT d: March 24, 1885
 +Asenath Taylor m: May 17, 1839
 4 Hannah Fitch b: September 24, 1775 d: in Franklin, New York
 +David Benedict m: December 22, 1796 in New Canaan, Fairfield County, CT by Rev. Justus Mitchell
 5 James Benedict b: Bef. 1799 d: February 14, 1849 in near Durhamville, New York
 5 Seymour Benedict b: July 19, 1799 d: January 30, 1846
 5 Hezron Benedict b: July 10, 1801 d: January 28, 1838 in New Road, Northfield, New York
 5 Alvah Benedict b: July 06, 1806
 5 Truman Benedict b: January 30, 1810
 5 John Benedict b: April 30, 1812
 5 Nathaniel Benedict b: January 15, 1814
 5 Rufus Caleb Benedict b: August 20, 1816
 5 Nancy Benedict b: March 09, 1820
 4 Elizabeth Fitch d: July 1783 in from church records

..... *2nd Wife of Seymour Fitch:
..... +Hannah Raymond m: February 05, 1778 in Wilton, Ct....records
..... 4 Thomas Fitch
..... 4 Lewis Fitch
..... 4 Abijah Fitch b: Aft. 1778
..... 4 Sally Fitch
..... *3rd Wife of Seymour Fitch:
..... +Martha Patty St. John b: November 14, 1751 in New Canaan, CT m: July 17, 1783 in Wilton, Ct....records, by Rev. Juston Nichols.
..... 4 William Fitch b: 1789 in New Canaan, CT.....one source said New Canaan, New York d: January 23, 1852 in New Canaan, Fairfield County, Connecticut
..... +Eunice b: Abt. 1789 d: December 21, 1817
..... *2nd Wife of William Fitch:
..... +Mary
..... 5 George Fitch b: 1821 d: March 20, 1821 in 5 weeks old
..... 3 Elizabeth Fitch b: Abt. 1749
..... +Justus Haite Hoyt b: Abt. 1743 in of New Canaan, CT m: May 29, 1765 in Norwalk Records.....Stamford, New Canaan Rec.
..... 4 Goold Hoyt b: May 28, 1766
..... +Sarah Reed m: May 15, 1786 in Norwalk Records
..... 5 William Henry Hoyt b: December 18, 1788
..... 5 Harriet Hoyt b: April 16, 1790
..... 5 Jerry Hoyt b: June 28, 1792
..... 5 Maria Hoyt b: August 05, 1794
..... 5 Almira Hoyt b: September 04, 1796
..... 4 Luke Hoyt b: June 23, 1768
..... 4 Stephen Hoyt b: April 22, 1770
..... +Mary Polly Carter b: November 20, 1771 m: May 20, 1794 in Norwalk Records
..... 5 Polly Hoyt b: May 04, 1795 d: April 15, 1875
..... +Bradley Keeler b: Abt. 1785 d: July 07, 1838
..... 6 Esther Keeler b: Abt. 1826 d: July 20, 1855
..... 6 Sylvester Keeler
..... 6 Isaac Keeler
..... 6 Stephen Edwards Keeler
..... +Ann Augusta Raymond
..... 5 Hannah Hoyt b: December 28, 1796
..... 4 Israel Hoyt b: May 22, 1772
..... 4 Elizabeth Hoyt b: August 24, 1774
..... 4 Moses Hoyt b: July 15, 1776
..... 4 Fitch Hoyt b: January 26, 1779
..... 4 Polly Hoyt b: July 01, 1781
..... 4 Hannah Hoyt b: May 02, 1784
..... 4 Justus Hoyt II b: March 10, 1788
..... 4 Betsey Hoyt b: June 26, 1791
..... 4 Nancy Hoyt b: July 26, 1793
..... 3 Hannah Fitch b: Abt. 1745
..... +Jacob Selleck b: Abt. 1744 in Stamford, Fairfield County, CT m: April 10, 1764 in Stamford, Fairfield Co., CT d: October 16, 1821
..... 4 Sarah Selleck b: December 07, 1764
..... 4 Jacob Selleck
..... *2nd Wife of Nathaniel Fitch:
.. +Sarah Seeley b: Abt. 1690 m: Bef. 1729 in from Jacobus, pg 528 under Seeley d: Bef. 1739 in probably
..... *3rd Wife of Nathaniel Fitch:
.. +Anna Mallory m: Aft. 1738 d: Aft. 1743

Descendants of John Fitch II

John Fitch II b: September 29, 1677 in Norwalk, Connecticut "Edwin Hall", Norwalk Vital Rec., Vol. LR1, page 112 d: Bet. 1748 - 1760 in Norwalk, Connecticut
+Lydia Bushnell b: 1683 m: 1707 d: August 25, 1786 in New Canaan, Fairfield County, Connecticut
..... 2 Matthew Fitch b: May 1708 d: April 16, 1779
..... +Jemima St. John m: in Norwalk Vital Records, Vol. LR4, page 14, no date given d: Bet. 1735 - 1736 in Norwalk Vital Records says she died, but no date there
..... 3 Jemima Fitch b: December 25, 1735 in Norwalk Vital Records.....Vol. LR4, page 14
..... *2nd Wife of Matthew Fitch:
..... +Lydia Olmstead b: May 1716 in Norwalk, Connecticut m: December 27, 1738 in or Dec. 7 in Norwalk Vital Records, Vol. LR4, page 14 d: September 25, 1805 in or 28 by Hale cemetery inscriptions
..... 3 Nathan Fitch b: October 12, 1739 in New Canaan, Fairfield County, Connecticut
..... +Mehitable Hoyt b: October 1742 m: January 08, 1761 in Norwalk, Connecticut or Stamford....Barbour, page 23
..... 4 Nathan Fitch II b: Abt. 1761 in New Canaan, Fairfield County, Connecticut
..... 4 Jemima Fitch b: Abt. 1763
..... +Unknown Reed b: in of Ameniam: February 04, 1787 in New Canaan Cong. Church by Rev. Justus Mitchell
..... 4 Asahel Fitch b: Abt. 1765 d: in Must have died before 1772 as another was given same name
..... *2nd Wife of Nathan Fitch:
..... +Mary Reed m: March 07, 1769 in Stamford/New Canaan records.....Barbour, page 25
..... 4 Asahel Fitch b: Abt. 1772
..... +Martha Dennison m: 1793
..... 5 William Reed Fitch b: October 10, 1794
..... +Aurelia Dunning
..... 5 Alvah Fitch b: June 07, 1797
..... +L. A. Morse
..... 5 Charles D. Fitch b: April 05, 1800
..... +Flo Smith
..... 5 Cynthia Fitch b: October 27, 1802
..... +Eli Smith
..... 4 Rebecca Fitch b: Abt. 1773
..... +Hezekiah Middlebrook
..... 4 Mercy Fitch b: June 04, 1775 d: June 28, 1850
..... +Adam Swan b: June 28, 1768 in of Stonington, CT m: December 29, 1791 d: 1835
..... 5 Maria Swan b: April 25, 1793
..... +Chester Stebbins
..... 5 John Swan b: March 24, 1795 d: in died in infancy
..... 5 John Swan b: July 25, 1796 d: September 26, 1859 in unmarried
..... 5 Adam Swan II b: May 13, 1799 d: June 09, 1861 in unmarried
..... 5 Henry Swan b: September 12, 1802 d: August 03, 1867
..... +Maria Mills
..... 5 Cynthia Swan b: April 25, 1805 d: October 09, 1881
..... +John Williams
..... 5 Nathan Fitch Swan b: June 01, 1808 d: October 12, 1875
..... +Juliette Smith
..... 5 Erasmus D. Swan b: October 08, 1810 d: July 10, 1878
..... 5 Mercy Ann Swan b: February 10, 1813 d: December 08, 1877 in unmarried
..... 5 DeWitt C. Swan b: May 14, 1817 d: 1879 in unmarried
..... 5 Roswell N. Swan b: April 06, 1820 d: June 09, 1864 in unmarried
..... 4 William Fitch b: Abt. 1777
..... 4 Lydia Fitch b: Abt. 1777
..... 4 Polly Fitch b: Abt. 1793
..... +Amos Dennison
..... 4 Anne Fitch b: Abt. 1794
..... 3 Mercy Fitch b: December 29, 1740 in New Canaan, Fairfield County, Connecticut d: July 27, 1826
..... 3 Mary Fitch b: December 29, 1740 in New Canaan, Fairfield County, Connecticut
..... +Josiah St. John m: December 27, 1768 in Stamford/New Canaan records.....Barbour, page 25
..... 4 Joseph St. John b: September 22, 1769
..... +Betsey Nash m: November 15, 1792 in Norwalk Records
..... 5 Esther St. John b: January 05, 1794
..... +Nathan Beers
..... 5 William St. John

..... +Lucretia Jarvis
 5 George St. John
 +Unknown Smith
 5 Edgar St. John d: in died young
 5 Elizabeth St. John
 +John Isaacs b: September 21, 1799
 5 Charles St. John b: November 01, 1795
 5 Joseph L. St. John b: December 14, 1797
 4 Esther St. John b: September 21, 1772
 4 Jesse St. John b: November 07, 1774
 4 Polly St. John b: January 04, 1777
 4 Nancy St. John b: February 15, 1779
 4 Polly St. John b: July 09, 1782
 4 Sally St. John b: June 04, 1787
 3 Hannah Fitch b: August 24, 1742 in New Canaan, Fairfield County, Connecticut
 +Isaac Kellogg m: October 10, 1766 in Norwalk/Stamford, CT....Barbour, pg 24 Stamford
 *2nd Husband of Hannah Fitch:
 +Jeremiah Grumman m: October 27, 1785 in Norwalk Vital records.....Vol. LR18, page 20
 3 Matthew Fitch, Jr. b: June 17, 1744 in New Canaan, Fairfield County, Connecticut d: June 14, 1790 in prob. CT, date from DAR
 Patriot index
 +Sarah Reed b: October 27, 1750 in of Norwalk, CT m: December 27, 1770 in Middlesex, Darion, CT by Rev. Dr. Mather
 4 Esther Fitch b: October 10, 1771 in at the home of her parents on Clapboard Hill, Parish of New Canaan, Norwalk, CT d:
 December 22, 1841
 +Ansel Ford b: 1772 in Austerlitz d: August 1850
 5 Naomi Ford
 +Beach
 5 Ansel Ford
 5 Esther Ford
 +Lewis Sherill
 5 Fitch Ford
 +Abigail Smith
 5 Theron Ford
 4 Silas Fitch b: January 28, 1773 in Probably Clapboard Hill, New Canaan, CT d: February 15, 1857 in or April 15, at
 Onondaga County, New York
 +Clarissa Howell b: January 04, 1774 in New York m: September 07, 1795 in Canaan, New York d: August 04, 1862
 5 Sally Fitch b: July 04, 1797 in Franklin d: August 29, 1869 in Canaan, Ohio
 +Abel Bostwick b: March 07, 1798 in Meredith, New York m: December 30, 1820 in Franklin d: April 20, 1861 in
 Westfield, Ohio
 5 Clarissa Fitch b: July 26, 1799 d: 1889
 +Sidney Hastings
 5 Almiron Fitch b: August 08, 1801 d: January 09, 1877 in Delhi, New York
 +Caroline Case m: June 11, 1826
 5 Sophronia Fitch b: October 29, 1803 d: February 16, 1891 in Franklin, New York
 +Horace A. Mann b: January 22, 1801 m: February 02, 1824 d: March 03, 1886 in Franklin, New York
 5 Emeline Fitch b: March 25, 1806 d: March 22, 1894 in at her residence, Arcade, New York
 +Ephraim Clough b: March 06, 1806
 5 Esther Fitch b: February 13, 1809 d: September 22, 1860 in Lansing, Michigan, her residence
 +Charles Fox m: July 21
 5 Silas Fitch b: February 26, 1811 d: February 07, 1812 in Cemetery Ref. Guide gives date as 1819
 5 Nancy Fitch b: June 09, 1815 d: August 05, 1897 in Lansing, Michigan
 +Charles R. Torrey m: September 24, 1846
 *2nd Husband of Nancy Fitch:
 +Joshua Morse m: May 24, 1854
 5 Julia Ann Fitch b: May 18, 1819 d: December 17, 1893 in Syracuse, New York without issue
 +George O'Blenis m: October 18, 1855
 5 Silas Fitch b: March 15, 1813 in Franklin, Deleware County, New York d: October 26, 1885 in Irvington, New York
 +Mary Amanda White m: March 30, 1842 d: August 19, 1896 in Yonkers, New York
 4 Simeon Fitch b: August 29, 1774 in Prob. Clapboard Hill, New Canaan or Norwalk, CT d: August 28, 1857 in Oswego, New
 York
 +Lydia Reed b: September 18, 1777 m: March 06, 1800 d: 1838
 5 Simeon Fitch, Jr.

..... 5 Frederick Fitch b: 1803 d: 1890
 +Albertine Van Alstine b: 1814 m: 1834 d: 1886
 5 Emeline Fitch
 +Russell Judson b: in of Stockport, Col. Co., New York
 5 Elizabeth Fitch
 +Unknown Lewis b: in of Oswego, New York
 5 Maria Fitch
 +Unknown Loose
 5 Vanelia Fitch d: in died unmarried
 4 Mathew Fitch III b: March 13, 1776 in or Sept. 13 from L.H. Fitch. at Hillsdale, Columbia Co., New York d: February 17, 1812 in Riga, Monroe County, New York
 +Charlotte Phelps b: June 26, 1778 in Green River, Columbia County, New York.....kkfitch m: September 13, 1798 d: December 01, 1854
 5 Harriet S. Fitch b: August 05, 1799 d: May 06, 1874
 +Gordon Baldwin b: in of Riga, New York m: January 14, 1821 d: 1872
 5 Alfred R. Fitch b: April 29, 1801 d: May 01, 1893
 +Lucy Chamberlain m: February 03, 1824
 5 Horace Fitch b: March 14, 1803 d: July 16, 1886
 +Silanna Williams b: Abt. 1808 d: December 1897
 5 Ezra Fitch b: February 12, 1805 in Columbia County, New York d: January 23, 1870
 +Margaret Reed b: June 08, 1802 m: October 08, 1831 in or 1830 d: January 06, 1884 in Cocksackie, New York ??
 5 Matthew Fitch b: January 02, 1807 d: September 20, 1832
 5 Enoch S. Fitch b: February 12, 1809 in Green River, New York.....shares Abe Lincoln's birthday d: April 03, 1881 in Ransomville, Niagara County, New York
 +Lucina Church m: August 29, 1831 d: January 22, 1890
 5 Simeon Fitch b: January 18, 1811 d: September 03, 1877
 +Jane M. Truesdale m: September 17, 1851 d: August 18, 1886
 4 Samuel Fitch b: May 12, 1778 in Norwalk, Connecticut d: December 16, 1842 in North Franklin, Delaware Co., New York
 +Naomi Sumner b: October 28, 1783 in Goshen, Connecticutor 26 m: Abt. 1803 d: September 27, 1863 in North Franklin, New York
 5 Enoch Fitch b: September 03, 1803 in North Franklin, New York d: June 16, 1849 in died unmarried.....Ref. Guide Index says date of death, June 16, 1859
 5 Abigail Fitch b: February 16, 1805 in North Franklin, New York d: May 03, 1873
 +John Rathburn
 5 Eliakim Reed Fitch b: January 25, 1808 in North Franklin, New York d: July 02, 1889
 +Lydia Hale
 5 Mary Fitch b: July 30, 1810 in North Franklin, New York d: March 31, 1861
 +Elisha B. Kilborn
 5 Johnathan Fitch b: September 08, 1812 in North Franklin, New York d: June 24, 1871
 +Lois J. Foote b: October 19, 1814 in of Otego, Otego, New York
 5 Cyrus Fitch b: August 17, 1814 in North Franklin, New York d: July 23, 1896 in died unmarried
 5 Lucy Fitch b: April 29, 1816 in North Franklin, New York d: September 26, 1876
 +Lewis Hitch
 5 Simeon Fitch b: December 02, 1818 in North Franklin, Delaware County, New York d: March 06, 1894 in outside Barry, Pike County, Illinois
 +Lucinda A. Piper m: May 01, 1845 in Pike County, Illinois
 *2nd Wife of Simeon Fitch:
 +Eliza Kerr b: May 01, 1834 in Londonerry, Ireland m: August 08, 1854 in Barry Township, Pike County, Illinois d: April 29, 1914 in Barry Township, Pike County, Illinois
 5 Naomi Fitch b: July 10, 1822 in North Franklin, New York
 +Smith Parsons
 5 Samuel Fitch b: June 16, 1826 in North Franklin, Delaware County, New York d: March 1900 in died unmarried in Baldwin, Kansas
 4 Enoch Fitch b: September 19, 1780 in Hillsdale, New York d: July 12, 1830
 +Amelia J. Butler m: October 28, 1810
 5 Matthew Elias Fitch b: August 19, 1812
 5 Charles Fitch b: February 12, 1814
 5 Charles Butler Fitch b: August 09, 1815 d: December 19, 1880
 +Anna Yelland b: in Cornwall, England
 5 Edward Fitch b: November 02, 1817 in of Avoca, Iowa
 +Unknown Wife

..... 5 William Butler Fitch b: October 20, 1820 d: July 14, 1890
 +Rebecca Reed b: in of Coxsackie m: January 14, 1852
 5 James Bradley Fitch b: July 27, 1826 d: September 13, 1827
 4 Sarah Fitch b: April 19, 1782 in Hillsdale, New York d: March 11, 1864
 +Hallam Champlain m: 1804
 *2nd Husband of Sarah Fitch:
 +Samuel Vanderveer m: November 17, 1818
 4 Elizabeth Fitch b: Abt. 1784
 +Graves
 5 Winslow Graves
 5 Caroline Graves
 5 Lydia Graves
 5 Elizabeth Graves
 4 Eliakim Reed Fitch b: 1785 d: January 30, 1787 in died at age of 18 months
 3 Lydia Fitch b: April 04, 1746 in New Canaan, Fairfield County, Connecticut
 +Enos Kellogg m: March 10, 1774 in Norwalk Vital Records, Vol. LR18, page 35
 4 Aaron Kellogg b: February 10, 1775
 4 Esther Kellogg b: January 12, 1778
 4 Hannah Kellogg b: May 29, 1784
 4 Rebeckah Kellogg b: March 17, 1787
 4 Esther Kellogg II b: October 30, 1779
 +Aaron Comstock, Jr. b: March 25, 1777
 3 Rebecca Fitch b: July 09, 1748 in New Canaan, Fairfield County, Connecticut d: in died young
 3 Susanna Fitch b: August 29, 1750 in New Canaan, Fairfield County, Connecticut
 3 Abijah Fitch b: Bet. 1738 - 1760 in New Canaan, Fairfield County, Connecticut
 3 Rebecca Fitch b: Bef. April 26, 1752 in New Canaan, Fairfield County, Connecticut
 +Eliakim Reed, Jr. b: 1752 m: September 14, 1772 in Stamford, Darien, CT
 2 Theophilus Fitch b: 1709 in or April 17, 1711 from L.H. Fitch d: March 13, 1783 in or April 17, 1783 from L.H. Fitch
 +Lydia Kellogg b: October 30, 1715 in Norwalk, CT, or 1713 from Hall's, pg. 199
 3 Ruth Fitch b: April 01, 1739
 +Daniel Smith b: September 25, 1731 in Danbury, CT.....or of Norwalk m: May 22, 1760 in Stamford/Canaan records, Barbour,
 pg. 23 d: 1816 in Burton, Sunbury, New Brunswick, Canada
 4 Clapman Smith b: 1762 in Danbury, CT
 4 Orlo Smith
 4 Daniel Smith, Jr.
 4 Mary Smith b: in New Milford, CT
 3 John Fitch b: August 24, 1740 d: 1822
 +Lydia Wheaton m: Bef. February 07, 1773
 4 Ruth Fitch b: March 29, 1768 in Norwalk Vital Records, Vol. LR9, 4-Ind.
 4 Esseek Fitch b: November 26, 1769 in Norwalk Vital Records.....Vol. LR9, 4-Ind d: 1853
 +Elizabeth Denton m: 1800
 5 Chauncey Wheaton Fitch b: March 13, 1801 in Rensselaersville, New York d: 1878
 +Margaret Stanley Henshaw b: February 18, 1806 in Middleburg, Vermont d: November 17, 1839 in Detroit
 *2nd Wife of Chauncey Wheaton Fitch:
 +Mary Wright b: April 09, 1807 in Georgetown m: June 10, 1829 in Georgetown, D.C. d: June 1830
 *3rd Wife of Chauncey Wheaton Fitch:
 +Catherine Brown Wright b: July 22, 1816 in Georgetown m: September 10, 1842 d: 1851
 3 Sarah Fitch b: September 10, 1742
 3 Mary Fitch b: July 11, 1744
 +Simeon Hanford m: August 08, 1765 in New Canaan, Fairfield County, Connecticut
 3 Samuel Fitch b: January 26, 1746/47
 3 Theophilus Fitch b: September 01, 1751
 +Anna Gregory b: 1758 m: February 07, 1781 in Norwalk Vital Records, Vol. LR18, page 9 d: December 12, 1831
 4 Samuel Fitch b: December 17, 1781 in Norwalk, Fairfield Co., CT
 +Catherine Gregory b: May 17, 1782 in Norwalk, Fairfield Co., CT
 4 Betsey Fitch b: July 02, 1784 in or July 21, 1784 d: March 07, 1794 in Norwalk Vital Records and New Canaan Cong Ch.
 Records
 4 Nathan Fitch b: April 14, 1787 in Norwalk Vital Records, Vol. LR18, page 9
 3 Ann Fitch b: July 29, 1756
 +Jonathan Knight m: October 11, 1781 in Norwalk Records
 4 Jonathan Knight II b: September 04, 1789

..... 4 James Gale Knight b: June 03, 1800
 4 Abigail Ann Knight b: July 24, 1805
 3 Joseph Fitch b: October 31, 1758 d: 1833
 +Hannah Sperry m: October 12, 1784 in Norwalk Vital Records, Vol. LR18, page 36 d: 1841
 4 Hannah Fitch b: April 23, 1786 in of New Canaan, CT.....Norwalk Vital Rec., Vol. LR18, page 36
 +Sherman Mitchell b: July 02, 1782 in of Spencertown m: January 05, 1806 in New Canaan Congregational Church
 Records, Vol. 1
 5 Martha Mitchell
 +Joseph Silliman b: August 13, 1786
 4 Joseph Fitch b: June 15, 1788 in Norwalk Vital Records, Vol. LR18, page 36 d: November 1866
 +Sally Reed b: May 02, 1791 in Upper end of Haynes Ridge, New Canaan, CT
 5 Julia Ann Fitch
 +Dr. Gould
 5 Joseph Homer Fitch
 5 Clarissa Reed Fitch
 5 Sally Reed Fitch
 5 Sheldon Fitch
 4 Mabel Fitch b: November 23, 1793 in Norwalk Vital Records, Vol. LR18, page 36
 +Hanford Carter b: in name from C.W. Fitch, Florida
 4 Philo Sperry Fitch b: April 06, 1796 in Norwalk Vital REcords, Vol. LR18, page 36 d: October 1865 in New Canaan, CT
 4 Clarinda Fitch b: Abt. 1790
 4 Lemon Lorenzo Fitch b: Abt. 1789
 4 Sherman Fitch b: Abt. 1792
 3 Sarah Fitch b: January 08, 1748/49
 .. *2nd Wife of Theophilus Fitch:
 +Ruth Unknown
 3 Comfort Fitch b: Abt. 1737 in New Canaan, CT
 .. 2 Bushnell Fitch b: 1711 in or 1703 ?? in Norwalk, Fairfield County, CT d: 1805
 +Abigail Reed b: in Stamford, CT m: November 12, 1754 in Norwalk, CT.....Vital Records Vol. LR19 page 0
 3 Stephen Fitch b: April 12, 1767 in of Canaan at time of marriage
 +Charlotte Selleck b: Bef. May 02, 1763 in of Middlesex at time of marriage m: June 03, 1784 in Stamford/ New Canaan rec.,
 Barbour....pg 27 (Congregational Ch.) d: September 29, 1852 in Darien, CT
 4 Benjamin Fitch b: June 17, 1802 in New York (or June 13) d: November 07, 1883 in possible New York
 4 Francis Bushnell Fitch b: December 30, 1795 in New Haven, CT (1793 Norwalk Vital Records, Vol. LR 19) d: April 05,
 1872 in Ridgewood, New Jersey ?? or April 12
 +Eliza Whetten Dean b: in Native of Albany, New York m: August 22, 1818 in First Presbyterian Church, Albany, New
 York d: 1838
 5 Francis Stewart Fitch b: February 16, 1826 in New Jersey d: November 03, 1926
 +Esther Lisette Oliver b: October 03, 1838 in of Buffalo, New York (1900 census says April 1838) d: December 11,
 1925
 *2nd Wife of Francis Stewart Fitch:
 +Sarah Faulkner b: Abt. 1831 in of Buffalo, New York m: September 27, 1849 in Grace Episcopal Church, Buffalo,
 Erie Co., NY
 5 Eliza Fitch
 5 Jane Fitch
 5 Sarah Fitch
 5 Margaret Whetten Fitch b: September 23, 1821 in New York City, New York
 *2nd Wife of Francis Bushnell Fitch:
 +Catharine Riley m: November 16, 1838
 4 William Fitch b: 1799 d: July 07, 1866 in Buffalo, New York
 5 A. B. Fitch
 +Eliza H.
 4 Chauncey Fitch b: Abt. 1790 d: April 29, 1793
 4 Mariah Fitch b: 1792
 4 Abbey Fitch b: April 27, 1793
 .. 2 Rebecca Fitch b: 1713 in or Feb. 16, 1720 from Rootsweb d: October 15, 1801
 +John Richards m: January 19, 1742/43 in New Canaan, Fairfield County, Connecticut
 .. 2 Lydia Fitch b: 1717
 +William Clemmons Boalt b: November 07, 1713 m: December 08, 1748 in Norwalk, Connecticut.....Stamford, New Canaan
 3 Lydia Boalt b: March 23, 1749/50
 +John Hoyt

..... 3 Elizabeth Boalt b: May 25, 1752
..... +John Jarvis
..... 3 William Boalt, Jr. b: March 24, 1755
..... 3 John Boalt b: January 18, 1758 d: in died young
..... 3 Charles Boalt b: November 26, 1761
..... 3 Abigail Boalt b: May 11, 1765
..... 3 Samuel Boalt b: July 05, 1768
..... +Mary Webb m: January 03, 1798 d: December 26, 1798
..... 4 Samuel Webb Boalt, Jr. b: December 09, 1798

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Jonathan Marsh. sold to
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Thomas Fitch 1665

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J. H. Hales, 1847

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Richard Olmstead

Nath. Eli, then
Thos. Betts, who sold 1/2 to
Christopher Cumstuck

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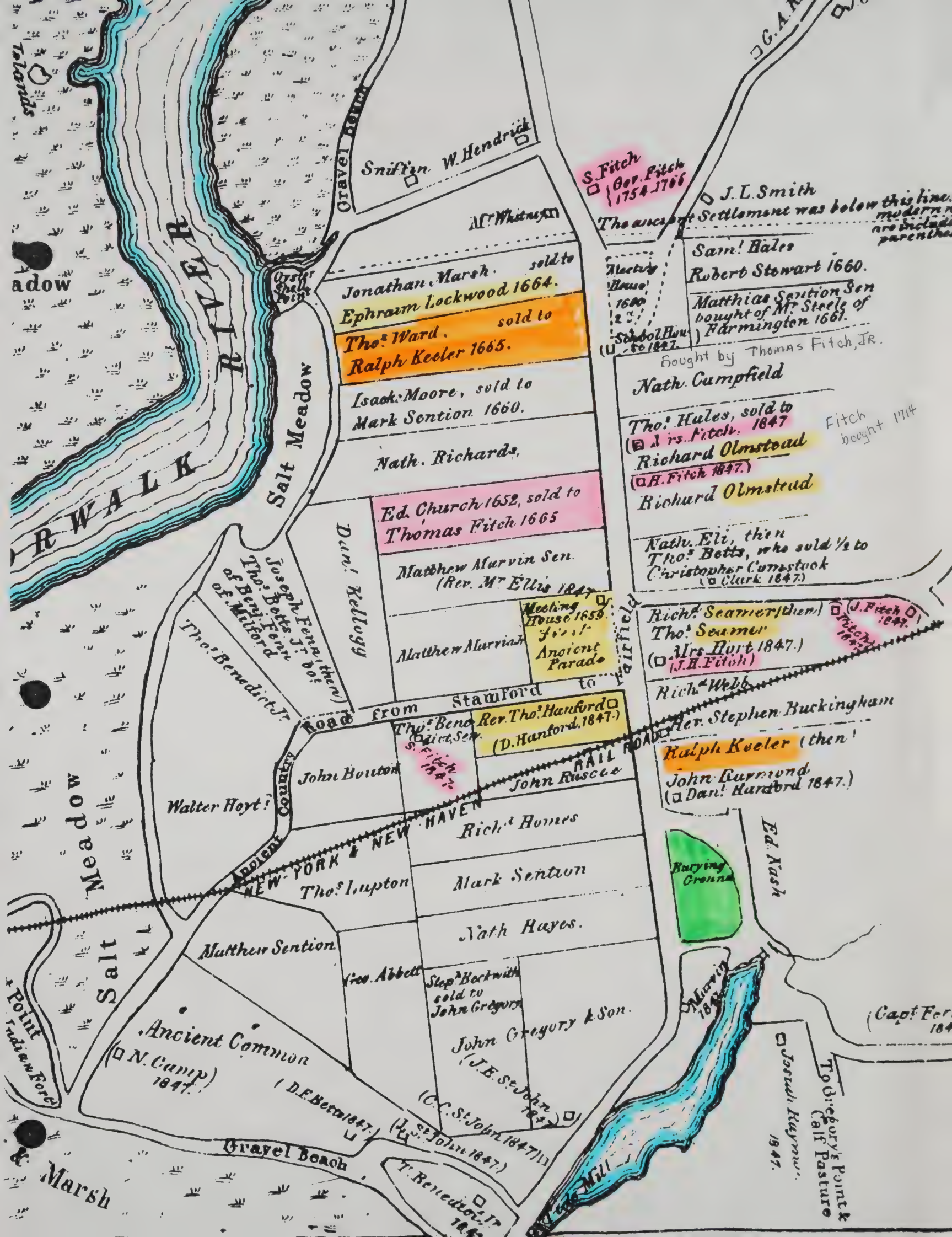
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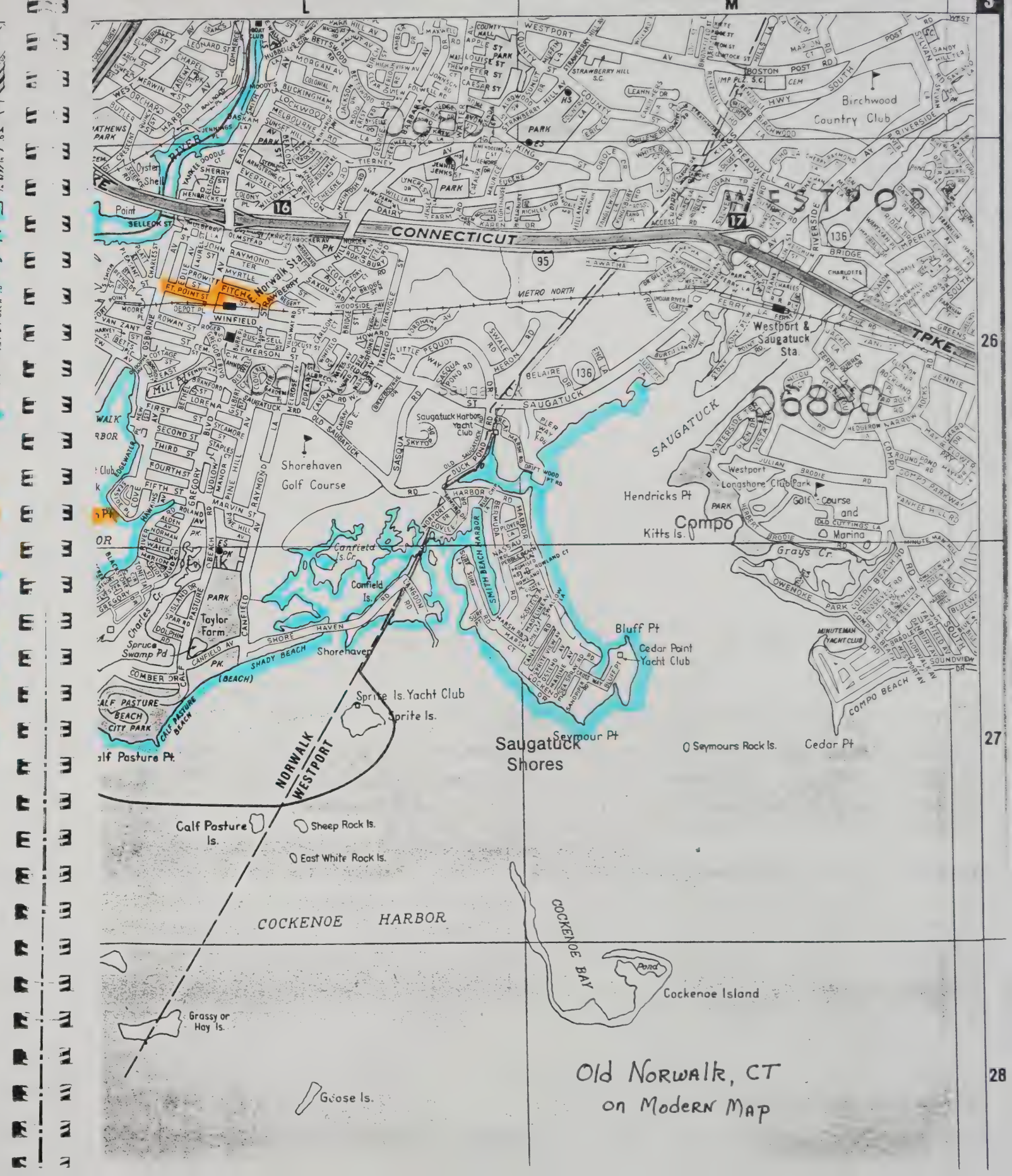
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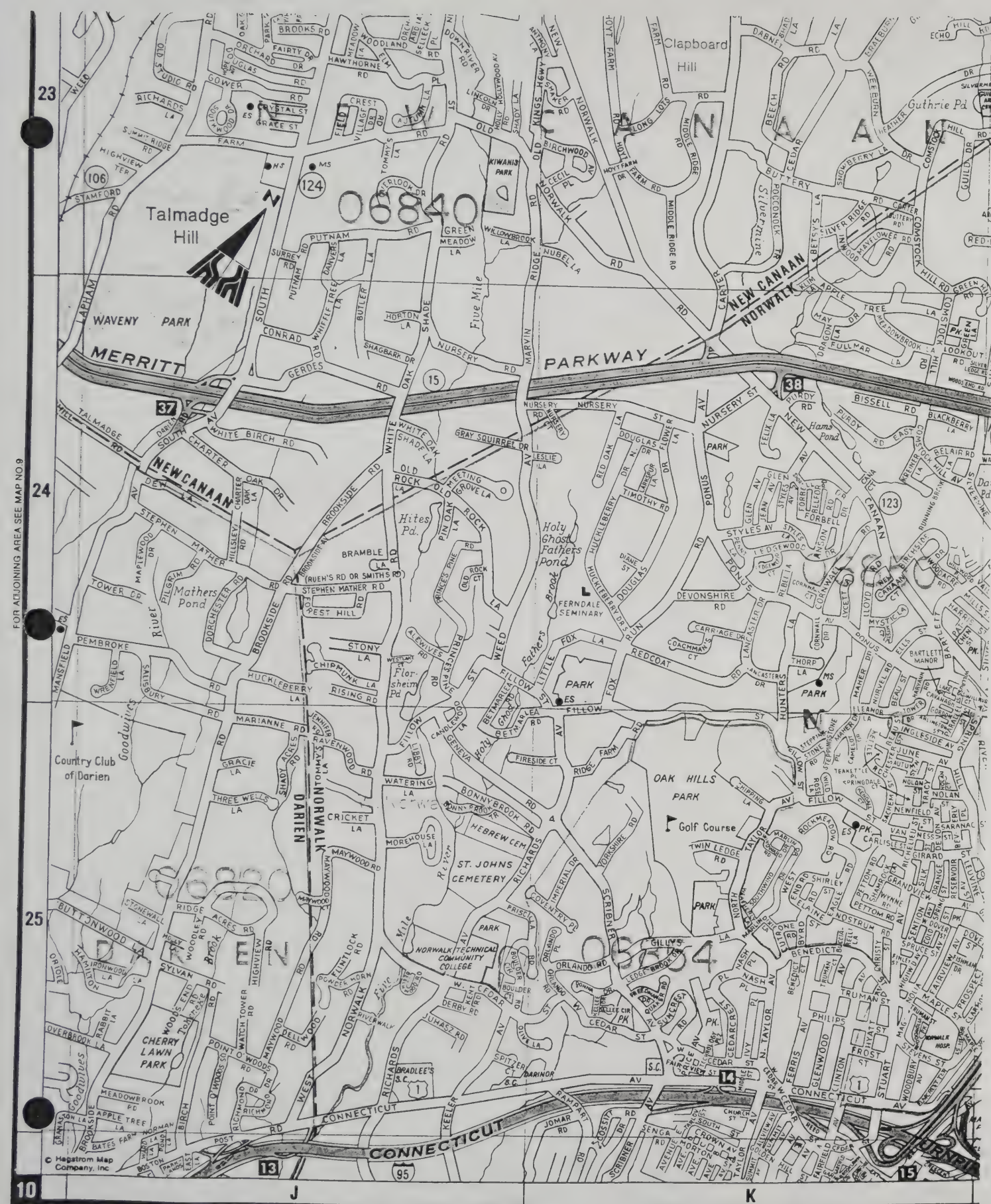


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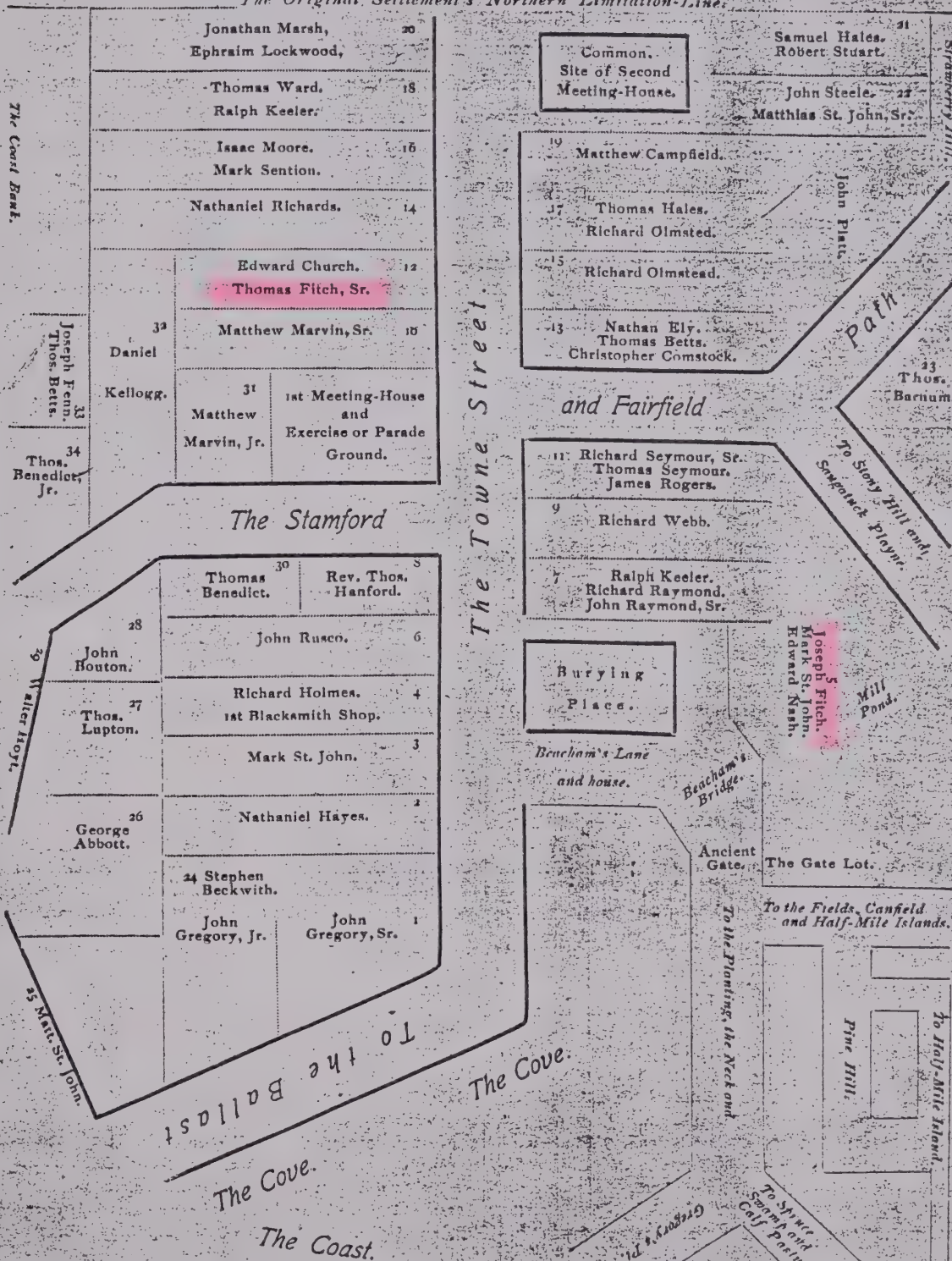
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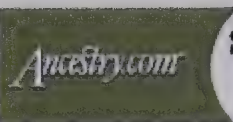
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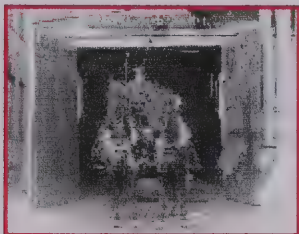
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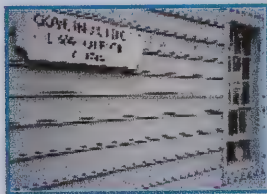
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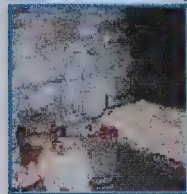
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YANKEE DOODLE HOUSE DOOR
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Spinning wheel

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Gov. Thomas Fitch House, East Avenue.



Home of "Yankee Doodle."



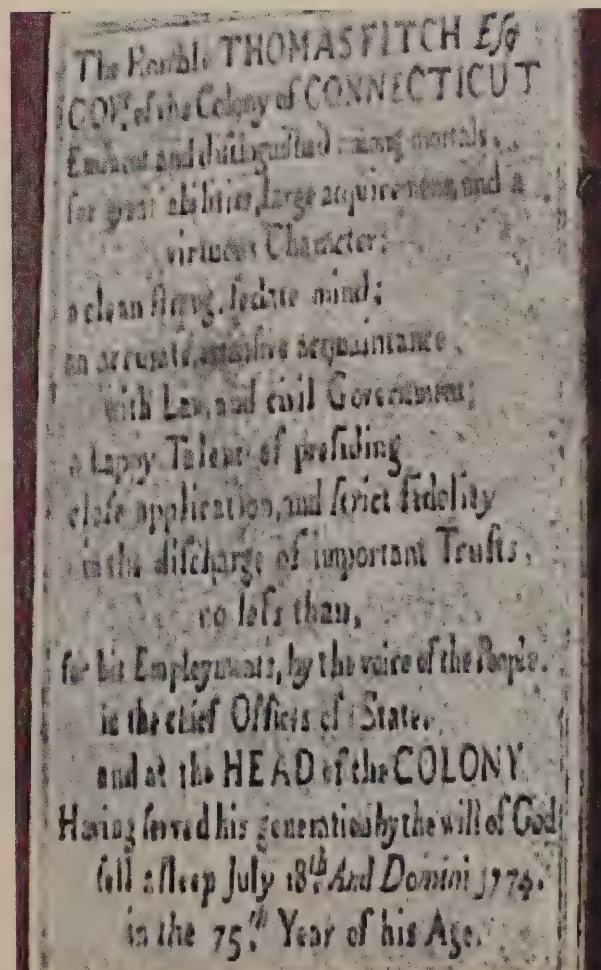
Pountain Smith's Farm, East Norwalk.



Fitch's Point.



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Thomas Fitch

b. 1699, d. July 18, 1774.

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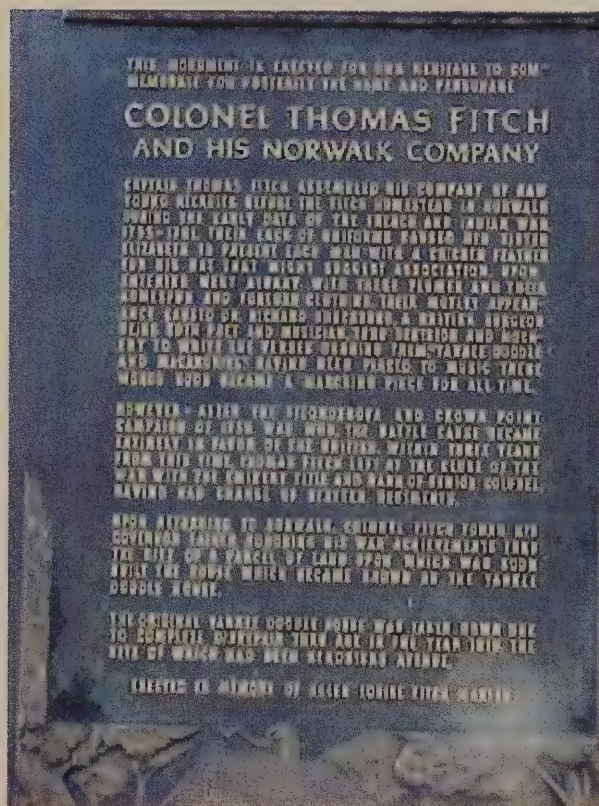
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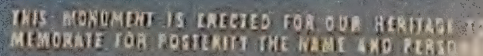
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Thomas Fitch, Jr.

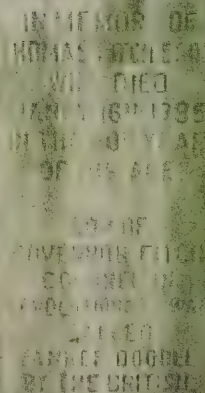
b. 1724. d. January 16, 1795.

Colonel in the French and Indian Wars and Son of Thomas Fitch. He and his men were dubbed "Yankee Doodles and macaronis" By a British Poet and Musician And Surgeon Dr. Richard Shockburg.

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COLONEL THOMAS FITCH AND HIS NORWALK CAMPAIGN

CAPTAIN THOMAS FITCH ASSEMBLED HIS COMPANY OF RAW YOUNG RECRUITS BEFORE THE FITCH HOMESTEAD IN NORWALK DURING THE EARLY DAYS OF THE FRENCH AND INDIAN WAR, 1753-1761. THEIR LACK OF UNIFORMS CAUSED HIS SISTER, ELIZABETH, TO PRESNET EACH MAN WITH A CHICKEN FEATHER FOR HIS HAT THAT MIGHT SUGGEST ASSOCIATION. UPON ENTERING WEST ALBANY WITH THEIR PLUMES AND THEIR HOMESPUN AND FOREIGN CLOTHING, THEIR MOTLEY APPEARANCE CAUSED DR. RICHARD SHOCKBURG, A BRITISH SURGEON, BEING BOTH POET AND MUSICIAN, THRU DERISION AND MOCKERY TO WRITE THE VERSE CALLING THEM "YANKEE DOODLE" AND "MACARONIS". HAVING BEEN PLACED TO MUSIC, THESE WORDS SOON BECAME A MARCHING PIECE FOR ALL TIME.

HOWEVER, AFTER THE TICONDEROGA AND CROWN POINT CAMPAIGN OF 1758 WAS WON, THE BATTLE CAUSE BECAME ENTIRELY IN FAVOR OF THE BRITISH. WITHIN THREE YEARS FROM THIS TIME, THOMAS FITCH LEFT, AT THE CLOSE OF THE WAR WITH THE EMINENT TITLE AND RANK OF SENIOR COLONEL, HAVING HAD CHARGE OF SIXTEEN REGIMENTS.

UPON RETURNING TO NORWALK, COLONEL FITCH FOUND HIS GOVERNOR FATHER HONORING HIS WAR ACHIEVEMENT THROUGH A GIFT OF A PARCEL OF LAND, UPON WHICH WAS SOON BUILT THE HOUSE WHICH BECAME KNOWN AS THE YANKEE DOODLE HOUSE.

THE ORIGINAL YANKEE DOODLE HOUSE WAS TAKEN DOWN DUE TO COMPLETE DISREPAIR THROUGH AGE, IN THE YEAR 1919, THE SITE OF WHICH HAD BEEN HENDRICK'S AVENUE.

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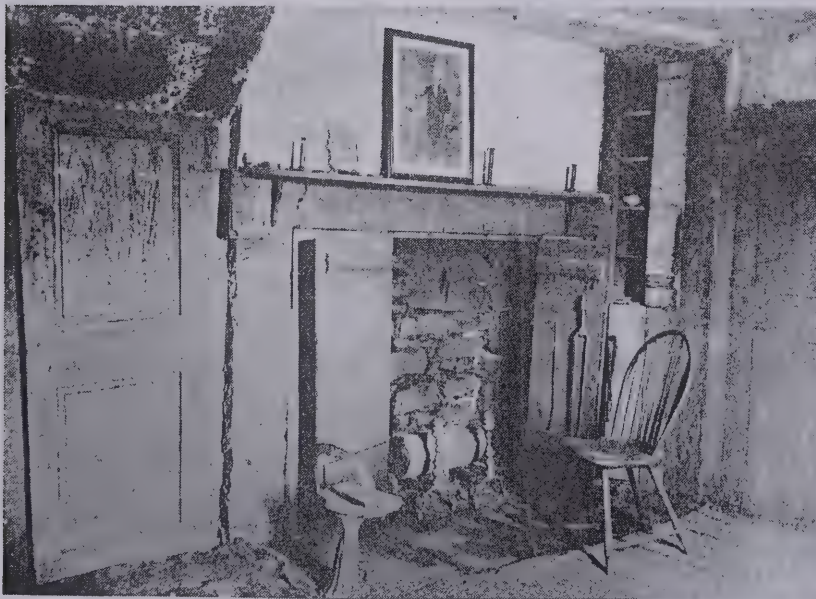
The Yankee Doodle House

The home of Colonel Thomas Fitch Jr., son of Connecticut's Colonial Governor Thomas Fitch, stood at what is presently Hendricks Avenue near the East Avenue intersection of the Connecticut Thruway.

Volunteer Colonial troops operating with the British army during The French and Indian War were commanded by Colonel Fitch. The words of "Yankee Doodle" were composed by a British army surgeon named Shucksburg, in derision of the varied dress of the Colonials stationed at Albany in 1758.

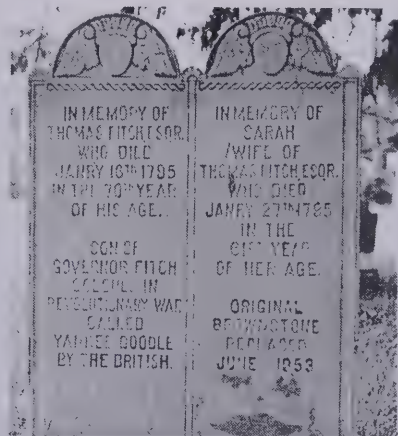


A view of the Yankee Doodle House, c. 1912.



Interior view of the Yankee Doodle House.

The Fitch memorial stone in East Norwalk Cemetery marks the graves of Colonel and Mrs. Thomas Fitch, Jr.



Historic Houses



The Sammis house was erected 1799-1780, as a temporary dwelling on West Avenue following the burning of Norwalk.



The James Fitch III, house, Fitch Street, East Norwalk, was also erected soon after the burning.



This St. John homestead stood on the north side of Cannon Street.



This old iron bridge spanned the Norwalk River at Riverside Avenue near the foot of Spring Hill.

Yankee Doodle Story

From a news article with a couple of pictures which has faded so badly over the years the pictures are of no value. Need to save the words before they are lost.

YANKEE DOODLE LEGEND by William J. Prendergast

Dedication of the Yankee Doodle Bridge over the Connecticut Turnpike in Norwalk a few years ago renewed interest in one of the state's fascinating legends. If it hadn't been for a certain Norwalk lass in pre-Revolution days, the ditty "Yankee Doodle" might never have been written. This pretty miss placed chicken feathers in the hats of some of the Colonial soldiers as they marched off with the Fourth Connecticut Regiment to the French and Indian War.

The legend says that Elizabeth Fitch, watching the militia depart under the command of her brother, Col. Thomas Fitch, had her girlish fancy disappointed. The men were in drab, dull uniforms and did not resemble at all the knights of her expectations. She hastened to the chicken run at the rear of the house gathering an armful of feathers, presented one to each soldier. The men obliged and marched proudly off with the chicken plumes waving in their hats.

According to the story, when the troops arrived at Fort Carlo, N.Y., Dr. Richard Shuckburg, an officer on Gen. Abercrombie's staff noted the approach of the ragged Connecticut volunteers. Amused at the sight of the feathers sticking from their hats he exclaimed, "Well, stab my vitals, they are macaronis." Macaroni was the popular said expression for a dudish man of the times.

Shuckburg was further moved to compose some verse for the entertainment of his fellow officers who were lounging nearby, which later set down on paper. Sung to an old British air dating from the days of Cromwell, the song "Yankee Doodle" took hold and soon all the troops carried the refrain as they marched against the French.

In Norwalk, Col. Fitch's grave lies near the site of the Yankee Doodle Bridge. Also, the old Fitch homestead is presently being moved to an historic memorial park to stand side by side with several other historic structures. When developed, this park will be known as New England Plaza. In addition to the Fitch House, the complex will contain an early town house, an old schoolhouse, and an ancient jail.

YANKEE DOODLE FACTS

Col. Thomas Fitch was the son of Gov. Thomas Fitch. Apparently the Yankee Doodle house was not built until after Col. Thomas Fitch returned from his French and Indian War experiences when his father gave him a home lott of 5 acres on which to make his home and at the time of his marriage.

Elizabeth, his sister, eventually married a Rowland from Fairfield.

Some information says the house was taken down 1919 and then we have the news article which shows that it was to be moved. The news article had to be written sometime in the last half of the century so not sure why there is information on a 1919 removal. So is the house still there?? It was not something we looked for when we were in Norwalk. At that time we were still thinking that probably the family ancestry came from Rev. James Fitch so did not go all out on Thomas decendants. The house may still be in Norwalk. Though I have seen no recent pictures. The other pictures I have of the house were all taken at the turn of the century. Perhaps the plans of the Plaza where it was to be moved, fell through. Have checked the more recent books on Norwalk, and still find nothing but the older pictures.

Though Col. Thomas Fitch did take part in the Revolutionary War, the incident of the feathers in their caps, was an earlier incident in the French and Indian War when Thomas was a young man and yet unmarried.

TABLE OF ORIGINAL GRANTS OF HOME-LOTS TO
THE FIRST SETTLERS.

COMPILED FROM THE RECORDS IN THE FIRST BOOK OF GRANTS
AND DEEDS.

Note.—These records appear to have been made some twenty years and more after the grants. They are generally without date, interspersed with other records from 1670 to 1690. Probably some original grants were never put on record; they are incidentally mentioned in the boundaries of other grants. The estimated quantity, and the boundaries are given; but not the length of any of the boundaries. Over some of the records, another hand has inserted the date 1652. The book is complete: the folios being numbered from 1 onward.

GRANTEES.

✓ Richard Olmstead, 4 acres 1 rood.

Bounded east by Common land, west by Town's Highway, north by Thomas Hale's home-lot, south by Nathaniel Eli's home-lot.

✓ Thomas Fitch (purchased the lot laid out to Edward Church in 1655), 4 acres.

Bounded east by Town Highway, west by Daniel Kellogg's home-lot, north by Nathaniel Richards' home-lot, south by Matthew Marvin, Sen.'s, home-lot.

Nathaniel Eli (sold to Thomas Betts), 4 acres 2 roods.

Bounded east by The Common, west by Town Highway, north by Richard Olmstead's home-lot, south by the other Highway.

Samuel Hales (sold to Robert Stewart of Milford, in 1660), 4 acres.

Bounded east by The "Commoninge," west by Highway, north by "The Commoninge," south by Matthias Senion's home-lot.

✓ John Platt (in 1663), 4 acres 2 roods.

Bounded east by Highway and Common land, west by Ephraim Lockwood's home-lot, north by Samuel Camfield's lot, south by Thomas Fitch, Jr.'s, home-lot.

✓ Isacke More (sold to Mark Senion in 1660), 4 acres.

Bounded east by Town Highway, west by "The Coafe [cove] bancke," north by George Abbott's home-lot.

✓ Richard Seamer (afterwards his son's, Thomas Seamer, by exchange).

Bounded east by The Common, west by Town's Highway, north by Town's Highway, south by Richard Webb's home-lot.

✓ John Bowten, 4 acres.

Bounded east by Mr. Hanford's and John Rusecoe's home-lot, west by Highway, north by Highway, south by Thomas Lupion's home-lot.

✓ Matthew Marvin, Sen., 4 acres.

Bounded east by Town's Highway, west by Daniel Kellogg's home-lot, north by Thomas Fitch's home-lot, south by Meeting-house yard and Matthew Marvin, Jr.'s, home-lot.

Thomas Lupion, 4 acres.

Bounded east by Richard Homes and Mark Senion's home-lot, west by Matthias Senion's home-lot and Common; north by John Bowten's home-lot, south by George Abbott's lot.

Jonathan Marsh, two parcels, 4 acres.

The Greater—Bounded east by Highway, "the coafe bancke" of Norwalk River, north by the Commoninge, south by Thomas Ward's home-lot. The Less—Bounded east by Commoninge, west by the aforesaid highway, north by Commoninge, south by Commoninge.

✓ Walter Haite, 4 acres.

Bounded east by Town Highway, west by "the Common by the bancke coafe" [cove], north by Matthias Senion's home-lot, south by George Abbott's home-lot.

✓ Nathaniel Richards, 4 acres 1 rood.

Bounded east by Town Highway, west by Norwalk River "coafe bancke," north by Isacke More's home-lot, south by Thomas Fitch's home-lot.

✓ Matthias Senion, Sen., Bought of Mr. Steile of Farmington, who married the widow of Richard Seamer, 4 acres (granted in addition 1, April 6, 1661), 5 acres.

Bounded east by Common land, west by Town's Highway, north by Samuel Hales' home-lot, now Robert Stewart's, south by Matthew Camfield's home-lot.

✓ **Ralph Keeler, 4 acres 1 rood.**

Bounded east by Common and Neck fence, west by Town Highway and Edward Nash's home-lot, north by Richard Webb's home-lot, south by Town Highway and Edward Nash's home-lot.

✓ **Mr. Thomas Hanford, 4 acres.**

Bounded east by Town's Highway, west by John Bowen's home-lot, north by Town's Highway, south by John Ruscoe's home-lot.

✓ **Nathaniel Campfield, 5 acres.**

Bounded east by Common, west by Town's Highway, north by Mathias Senion's home-lot, south by Richard Olmsted's, that was Thomas Hale's home-lot.

✓ **Samuel Campfield (apparently in 1670), 4 acres.**

Bounded east by Brooke swamp of common ground, west by Common Highway, north by Ralph Keeler's home-lot, now Thomas Betts', south by John Platt's home-lot.

✓ **Thomas Benedict, Sen. (recorded March 1, 1669-70, having possessed it some years before), purchased of Mr. Hanford 1 acre 1 rood, of John Ruscoe 2 roods, of John Bowten 1 rood—4 acres.**

Bounded east by Mr. Handford's and John Ruscoe's, west by John Bowten, north by Town Highway, south by Richard Holmes.

✓ **Samuel Haies (two parcels; the last a piece of salt meadow in the rear of the first), 5 acres.**

Bounded east (first) by Common Highway, west by

"The bancke," north by Common land, south by Ralph Keeler's home-lot, that was Thomas Ward's, Salt meadow—Bounded east by Bank of Sd. home-lot, west by "Norwalke river coafe," north by "Coafe of sd river up to the bancke," south by "the creeke."

✓ **John Gregorie, Sen. (4 acres granted, bought 4 acres of Stephen Beckwith), 8 acres.**

Bounded east by Town Highway, west by John Railmonds', north by Mr. Haies' lot and John Benedict's lot that was George Abbott's, south by Highway runny by "the coafe bancke," and John Gregorie, Jr.'s.

✓ **John Gregorie, Jr., received from John Gregorie, Sen., of the above, 1 acre 2 roods.**✓ **Richard Web, 4 acres.**

Bounded east by Common land adjoining the neck, west by Town Highway, north by Thomas Seamer's home-lot, south by John Raymond's home-lot that was Ralph Reeler's.

✓ **Daniel Kellogg, 4 acres.**

Bounded east by Matthew Marvin, Jr.'s, Matthew Marvin, Sen.'s, and Thomas Fitch, Sen.'s, home-lots, west by Joseph Fenn's home-lot and a bank of common land, north partly by Nathaniel Richard's home-lot, and by the "coafe bancke," south by Town Highway.

✓ **Matthew Marvin, Jr., 3 acres 2 roods.**

Bounded east by "Meeting-house greene," west by Daniel Kellogg's home-lot, north by Matthew Marvin, Sen.'s, home-lot, south by Town Highway.

✓ **Christopher Comstock, January 27, 1661 (then of Fairfield, bought of Thomas Betts, "being then a planter inhabiting in Norwalke," his "house, home-lot, &c., with halfe the land lying to the said house, laid out to said Betts, or belonging to the accommodation of Nathaniel Eli," folio 13), 4 acres.**

See "Nathaniel Eli," who sold this lot to Thomas Betts, which Thomas Betts, in 1661, sold to Christopher Comstock.

✓ **Ephraim Lockwood, December 30, 1664 (folio 13)—bought the home-lot of Jonathan Marshe; "For and in consideration of one mare and sucking colt,"—"his howse with the shelles, dress boards, &c." also the yards, hovells, and tenn fruit trees growing upon the orchard; and also the home-lot containing one acre more or less."**

For boundaries see Jonathan Marshe.

✓ **Thomas Betts (bought Nathaniel Eli's home-lot; sold half to Christopher Comstock; also bought house and home-lot of Ralph Keeler—recorded about 1660), 4 acres.**

Bounded east by Common upland, west by Common Highway, north by John Keeler's home-lot, south by Samuel Campfield's home-lot.

✓ **Thomas Ward, of Norwalk (September 1, 1665, sold**

Scotland, France, and Ireland King, Defender of the Faith, &c.

ROBERT TREAT, Governor.

March 30th, 1686, pr. order of the Governor and Company of the Colony of Connecticut, signed

Pr. me JOHN ALLYN Secretary.

The above written is a true copie of y^e original, being examined and compared therewith, July 8th, 1686.

A true copie of y^e Record,

ELIAZAR KIMBERLY, Secretary.

Recorded Dec. 21st, 1708,

Pr. me JOHN CORP, Recorder.

TOWN RECORDS.

EXTRACTS FROM THE TOWN RECORDS OF NORWALK.

Swine in the Planting Field.

At a meetinge 9th of May, 1653, it is agreed and ordered, that if there shall be found any swine in the*— and planting field without youkes on, such*— have been agreed upon formerly, that it shall*— lawful for any inhabitant to kill any of such aforesaid swine being found in the above said woods, after the date hereof, provided the person killinge any such swine shall immediately endeavour to informe the owners of such swine, that they may take them and make meate of them; and this order to continue untill the companie shall repeale it.

Mr. Hanford's House:

Desember the 18th, 1653, agreede by the Townsmen about Mstr. Hanford's house with Ralph Keeiler and Waltar Haite as followeth, viz.: Ralph Keeiler is to fell all the Timber, and hewe what is to hewe, and frame all. The timber to be laied by and shinkles to be laied by in*—, and he to raise the house, and to hange the shinkles with pinnes, and*— them*— in clay and to make the morter, and*— house is to be in lenth 26 feete, and bredth 16— and for the saied worke, he is to have— in wheate at the marchants price,— rest in current pay, and he is to finish the— by the 10th of Aprill next; and the said*— is to do all the— worke belonging to the— Frame, in such convenient time as may sute— Keeiler, for which worke he is to have ye— for which worke he is to

* Obliterated.

put it in his rates, — provide 800 of board, at 7s a hundred for it im — Upon further consideration the aforesaid frame is to be 31 foote in lenth, and 18 foote in bredthe, and **Ralph Keeblers** to have 20 more; and Math. Marvin, Jr. now hath undertaken to lay in 2000 of good suff — shinkles at Ralph Keeblers ready to have at —.

The Pound.

It was ordered and voted also at the foresaid meetinge, that there shall be a good and sufficient pound or pinnefold erected and sett up, as soon as the season will permitt; at the place where the Townsmen shall appoynt, the saied pound to be thirtie foote square, six foote in height, six rayles in every lenth; the sayed rayles to be 11 foote in lenth, and the postes to be about 10 inches square; and for the saied pound the Towne are contented, and doe promise to pay, to any that shall undertake to finish, sayed pound, the some of Twoe pounds.

Memorandum: that in regard there is a convenience to have the saied pound made and that with expedition, — Nath. and Math. Camfield, Nath. Richards, and **Thos. Fitch** have undertaken to have the saied pound maid accordinge to the agreement.

Felling Timber.

Agreede and voted at the aforesayed meetinge, that if there shall be any timber felled in any of the com-monge belonging to the TOWN of NORWAKE — or unrecorded beyond the space of three monthes, from the date hereof, that is to say Desember 29th 1652, then it shall be lawfull for any planter to use and carry away the said timber as their proper owne.

Agreed and voted also that if any timber shall be found in the commonge aforesayed, lyinge and continuinge above three monthes after it is hewen and corded, that then also it shall be lawfull and free for any inhabitant or planter to take it and carry away, as their proper owne.

Agreed and voted at the aforesaid meetinge that if any inhabitant shall fall or cause to be fallen any tree into any common cart way, and not cause said tree to be removed within the space of — howres, so as it to be noe annoyance to the saide cart way, that then it shall be lawfull for any of the inhabitants to remove the saied tree, and — planter that did fall the saied tree — to the — that removed the tree the some of — in good current pay.

Burning the Woods.

And that the Townsmen shall see the woods burned in the fitting season; and of the time of burninge to give convenient notice to the inhabitants that they may secure their fences.

Town Officers in 1654.

At a meten helde by the inhabitants of Norwake on the 13 April 1654, when they maid choyce of **Mr. Fitch** and Goodman Moore to be townsmen for the insuen yere; at the same time they chose — **Ely** as constable for the ensueng yere.

Making Drains.

At a meetinge holden the 24th of Aprill, 1654, it was ordered and agreed and voted that there shall be a drain made through every man's lott in the meadows — and of the lottes in the meadows on the other side — that whenever those men that are chosen to appoynt

The Indians.

At a Towne meetinge the 18th of Aprill, 1655, voted and ordered Leeftenant Olmsted and Thos. Fitch are to take care and look after the Indians ——— are permitted to plant butt such as properly belongs to the town; that those that doe plant doe speedily make up the fence, and so also keep it up sufficient, and also that noe Indian ——— within a quarter of a mile of the town.

Nails for the Meeting House.

At a Towne meetinge heild the 22d of May, '55, voted and instructed ——— the Townsmen to procurr nyles, with all speed, for the meeting house, and at as reasonable rate as they can—Towne's account. Also, Thos. Fitch sen. and Leeftenant Olmsted are desired to be helpfull unto Nath. Richards in—the procuringe helpe for the making up the mill Damme.

The Cows to Pasture.

Memorandum. The cove keeper began to herd the coves the second Monday in May, being the 8th or 9th day; and the dry hearde began to be driven out by 3 men—to Rooton, that was Marke Sention, Math. Sention, and Waltar Haite ——— to be allowed 6d. a turne.

Admitting Mr. Reed.

At the aforesayed meeting, voted and agreed that Math. Reed is admitted to come into the town as an inhabitant.

Must come to Town Meetings.

Anno 1656, April 1st. At the same meeting agreed and voted, that all the inhabitants of Norwake

shall all be present at the town meetings lawfully warned, and answer to their names, upon the forfeit of 12 pence a man, on such default; and there remayn till the townsmen or townsman shall ——— the meeting, upon the same forfeit.

Mr. Hanford's Salary.

At a meeting held by the inhabitants of Norwalke (1656), agreed and voted, that Mr. Hanford shall have three score pounds allowed for the yere insuing, by them for his rate, and he is to be paid as followeth: 30 pounds in wheat, and pease, and barley, at the prices ——— 4 shillings per bushell for wheat and barley, and for pease, 3 shilling per bushell. The other 30 pounds is to be payed, 8 pounds in ——— and the other 22 pounds is to be payed in beete and pork at the common currant prise that it brings, when it is dew.

The Meeting House.

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of Norwake, the 3d of January (1659) agreed and voted, that there shall be a meeting house built by the joint concurrence of the inhabitants, 30 foot in length, and 18 foot in * * * to be set upon posts in the ground, 12 foot in length, that there be 10 foot distance from the ground to the ——— to the effect of the building, the inhabitants ——— having engaged 48 days worke, which each is to performe as he may be called thereunto by ——— chosen and appointed by the town—to call them forth, provided that the said men give warning two days at least beforehand.

Wolf-pits.

At a meeting held on the 16th of September, 1659, voted and agree that it shall be lawfull for any person

or persons to make any wolfe pitt or pitts in convenient places, and what wolfes shall be taken and killed by the sayed persons, they shall be allowed for every wolfe 10s. by the towne.

Clapboarding the Meeting-house.

At a meeting held the 12th of December, 1660, the towne hath agree with **Mr. Fitch**, and Goodman Richards, and John Ruseo, to claboard the meeting house with inside so by as the window; to find the bords, and to have 3l. 6s. for the doing of itt; this worke to be don by the last of January next.

Difficulty with Fairfield.

At a meeting held the 6th of May, 1664, voted and agreed, that the deputies made choice of to attend the general court — are authorized by the said vote, that if they have an opportunitie to issue the difference between the Towne of Faierfeld and ourselves concerning the bounds, they are impowered to issue the same, either by agreement with them according to former propositions propounded unto them, if accepted, and if not accepted, then to issue it in the court if it may be; and **Thomas Fitch** is voted to be assisting in the business, &c.

At the same meeting, voted that the Townsmen are hereby empowered to hier a man, or man and horses, at the towne charge, for the sending for Mstr. B——, and bring him again to Faierfeld, for so many times as he may be procured, while Mstr. Handford is absent.

Addition to the Meeting-house.

At the same meetinge (1664), voted and agreed, that there shall be an addition made and sett up, to the meeting-house, and that ——— ende sett up and joined

unto the fore part of the meetinge house, the sayed building to be in bredth 20 or 22 foote, and in lenth 16 foote at least; and the towne engages, and every person to worke twee days a man, if need be; and there being appoynted **Thomas Fitch**, sen., and Mathew Marvin, sen., to call out so many men as they think fitt — to fell and cutt the timber, and allso to summon each to drave the sayed timber.

Nath. Richards buys the Mill.

At the same meetinge, the Towne doth approve and consent unto Nath. Richards of his purchasing and buyinge of the mill and land, both upland and meadow of Jonathan Marsh; the said Nath. Richards being to give and pay unto Jonathan Marsh for the sayed mill and all that belongs unto the sayed mill, with the upland and meadow, being 6 akers and 2 roodes of upland lying upon the mill hill, and 3. parcells of meadow, and called Cranbury swamp, &c.

Henry Whitney's Mill.

At the sayed Meetinge (July 24th, 1665), **Henry Whitney** hath agreed and Ingaged with the Towne, to make, build, and erect a good and sufficient ground corne mill, and that at the mouth of Norwake River by the falles; and that upon certain conditions, which conditions are to be fullie drawn up, by **Thomas Fitch**, Leiftennant Olmsted, Mstr. Fenn, Mr. Whitinge, to confirme * * * signed by the Towne or those they shall depute their * * * which conditions were fully agreed upon at the sayde * * * betweene the Towne and Henry Whitney * *

Also at the sayed meetinge the Towne voted and granted unto the said **Henry Whitney a Homelott**, con-

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sistinge of twoe akers, the sayed lott to be layed out upon the mill plaine upon the right hand of the path leading down to the old mill, being over the Runlett 2 or three rodd from the sayed Runlett and also from the cart way; and so the grant of the other Lott is relinquished.

Beating the Drum.

Also (1665), Walter Haite has undertaken to beate the drum for meetings when all occasions required, for which he is to have 10s. Also Tho. Bennidiet has undertaken to have the meeting house swept for the yeere ensuing; he is to have 20s.

How to deal with the Stamford men.

It was also voted and agreed, August 26, '66, that such med of our inhabitants as doe goe to cutt hay on the other side five mile river, the towne will stand by them in the action to defend them, and to beare an equall proportion of the damage they shall sustaine upon that account; and if they shall be affronted by Stamford men, the towne will take as speedy a course as they can to prosecute them by law, to recover their just rights touching the lands in controversy; and also they have chosen and deputed **Mr. Thomas Fitch** to goe with the sayed men when they goe to cutt or fetch away, to make answer for and in behalfe of the towne, and the rest to be silent.

Mending the fences.

At a towne meeting in Norwalk, March the 20th, 1667, it was voted and ordered that it shall be left to the townsmen from yere to yere, to appoint a time or day, at or before the 10th of March, for the securing of the fences on both sides, and that they shall give notis

to all the inhabitants the night before; and the drum to be beten in the morning; which shall be accounted sufficient warning for every man to secure his fence, or else to beare his own damage.

Fetching the Cows.

At the same meeting (Oct. 17th, 1667), voted and ordered, that after the field is cleared, the townsmen shall hier Steven Beekwith, or some other man, to fetch the coves out of the neck; and that he that shall be hiered shall give warning by sounding a horne about twelve of the clock, that he that is to accompany him may repaier to him.

Wolves.

Also at the same meeting in Norwalk, Oct. 28, '67, it was voted and ordered, that the townsmen, for every wolfe that shall be kild in this town, eyther in pits or otherwise, the head or eares being brought and shewed, after this present day till the town rates are made for the defraying such charges, shall have twenty shillings for every such wolfe.

Training.

At a meeting of the inhabitants of Norwalke, May the 7th, 1668; being met together upon an occasion of trying, and having some other business to transact touching towne officers, did unanimously agree, that what orders should be made and concluded of at the aforesayed meeting, should stand in as full force as if it had bin legally warned.

Keeping the Young People still in Meeting.

At a meeting of the inhabitants of Norwalk, July the 13: '68, Tho. Lupton was chosen to look after the young people in the meting house on the Lord's day,

Sarah Holly, Martha Mead, Susannah Seeley, Rachel Finch. Inv. 20 May 1698.

Admin on Est. of Widow Sarah granted to Joseph Finch, 1 July 1713.

Children:

Sarah, m. 2 Dec. 1686, Jonathan Holly.

Samuel, m. Sarah —; they had children recorded at Stamford:

Mary, b. 2 Mar. 1692/3; Susannah, b. 3 Mar. 1693/4, m. 22 May

1718, Isaac Bishop; Sarah, b. 25 Sept. 1695, d. 23 Jan. 1715;

Abigail, b. 15 July 1697, d. 23 Jan. 1715; Hannah, b. 23 Mar.

1700/1; Martha, b. 23 July 1703.

Martha, m. — Mead.

Susannah, m. in 1692, Obadiah Seeley.

Rachel.

Joseph, d. at Stamford, 18 Dec. 1752; m. 7 Aug. 1703, Abigail Seeley.

Finch, Abraham, s. of Abraham.

He was made freeman of Conn., May 1658. On 20 Oct. 1664, he sold Fairfield property to Robert Turney, and we hear of him no more. He witnessed deed of Jehu and Esther Burr (recorded at Wethersfield), 1661/2. He lived chiefly at Saybrook, and d. there unmarried.

Finch, Abraham, s. of Isaac.

Born at Stamford, 5 July 1665; m. Martha Couch, dau. of Simon of Fairfield. Gave receipt, 1697, for legacy from his father-in-law Couch.

He testified Sept. 1692 in the Clawson witch trial as Abraham Finch, Jr., ae. abt. 26.*

He purchased land in Fairfield from James Newton, 7 Apr. 1696.

Martha Finch renewed her Covenant at Fairfield Church, 6 Sept. 1696, and Abraham had children bapt. there:

Isaac, bapt. 13 Sept. 1696.

Elizabeth, bapt. 15 May 1698.

Fitch, Thomas. Clerk, Norwalk Train Band, Feb. 1657; Ens., May 1665; Capt., Fairfield County Troop, Aug. 1673, and Feb.

* Abraham Finch of Stamford was freed from training because of constant lameness, Mar. 1684/5.

1676 (K. Philip's War); Commissioner for Norwalk, 1669-87, 1689-94, and for Danbury, 1686-87, 1689-90; Deputy (Norwalk), May 1673.

Eldest son of Thomas and Anna (Reeve) Fitch of Bocking, co. Essex, Eng., b. abt. 1612, d. at Norwalk in 1704; m. at Bocking, 1 Nov. 1632, Anna Stacey. He was instrumental in bringing other members of his family to New England; among his bros. were Rev. James of Norwich, Samuel the Hartford school master, and Capt. Joseph. The latter was with him in Norwalk, but finally settled in Windsor. (Son of Thomas & Ruth (Clare))

Will 6 Oct. 1696; gr. son Thomas Fitch; two gr. sons John and Nathaniel Fitch; dau. Ann now wife of John Thompson of Farmington; dau. Mary now wife of Capt. Matthew Sherwood; son John and John's wife; son Capt. Matthew Sherwood and cousin Sergt. John Platt, overseers; mentioned his great expense in the civil wars in England, and the transportation of himself and family. Inv. 14 Apr. 1704. John Fitch as Exec'r engaged to give to the children of his dec'd sister Burr the same amount which his other sisters had by will.

Richard Lyon of Fairfield gave by will 1678 £7 to his "cousin" Mary Fitch. She is usually supposed to be the dau. of Thomas; but since that Mary must have m. several years before that date, we cannot agree. Thomas Fitch, Jr., had a dau. Mary, b. abt. 1668, but it is not clear how she could have been related to Lyon. The John Platt called "cousin" by Thomas Fitch was husband of a sister of the wife of Thomas Fitch, Jr.

Children:

+Thomas. 1630-1684

John. 1633-

Mary, b. abt. 1644, d. at Stratfield, 25 Dec. 1730 ae. abt. 87 (g. s.);

m. Matthew Sherwood.

Ann, m. (1) Stephen Hart, Jr., of Farmington; m. (2) John Thompson.

Sarah, m. [say 1672] Maj. John Burr, of Fairfield.

Fitch, Thomas, s. of Thomas. Sergt., Norwalk Trainband.

Died at Norwalk in 1684; m. Ruth Clark, dau. of George, "Jr." or "Farmer" of Milford, bapt. 20 Feb. 1641/2; she m. (2) Robert

(Sons of John I)

Plumb of Milford, and (3) 3 July 1706, John Wheeler of Woodbury.

Inv. May 1684. Widow Ruth; ages of children: Sarah, 21; Thomas, 19, Mary 16; Samuel, 2½.

Children:

Sarah, b. abt. 1663; m. John Ford, of Milford.

Thomas, b. abt. 1665, d. in 1731; is said to have m. three times; will 29 Apr. 1731, proved 5 May 1731, named wife Rachel, sons Samuel, Thomas, and James, and dau. Elizabeth Raymond. The son Thomas had a distinguished career, and was Gov. of Conn. 1754-65.

Mary, b. abt. 1668, d. between 1705 and 1712; m. Daniel Terrell, of Milford.

Samuel, b. in 1681, prob. d. young.

Fitch, John, s. of Thomas.

He m. at Norwalk, 3 Dec. 1674, Rebecca Lindall, dau. of Dea. Henry and Rosamond, b. at New Haven, 20 Oct. 1653.

Children, recorded at Norwalk:

John, b. 29 Sept. 1677, d. in 1748; will 26 Jan. 1747/8, proved 5 Apr. 1748; m. Lydia Bushnell, dau. of Francis.

Rebecca, b. 15 Jan. 1679/80.

Nathaniel, b. 6 Nov. 1682, d. in 1743; will 5 Apr. 1742, proved 20 June 1743; m. (1) ———; m. (2) by 1729, Sarah, widow of Daniel Frost, and dau. of Benjamin Seeley, b. [say 1690]; m. (3) Anna, widow of William Mallory.

Foote, Daniel.

Son of Nathaniel and Elizabeth (Smith) Foote, b. prob. at Hadley abt. 1652.

His wife Sarah d. at Stratford, 26 Mar. 1704 in 46 yr. (g. s.).

Children, recorded at Stratford:

John, b. 17 June 1680; res. Newtown; m. 13 July 1715, Sarah

Prindle.

Daniel, b. 10-Jan. 1681 [1681½]; res. Newtown; m. (1) 2 Jan. 1704/5, Dorothy Blackman, who d. at Newtown, 28 Jan. 1721/2; m. (2) Abigail, widow of John Shepard, and dau. of Gideon Allen.

Hannah, b. 13 Feb. 1683 [1683¼]; m. 7 Dec. 1704, Richard Beach; res. Durham and Hebron.

Jehiel, b. 17 Mar. 1685/6, d. at Stratford 2 Sept. 1740 in 55 yr. (g. s.);

m. Susannah ———, [say 1715] Elizabeth Osborn.

×Solomon,* of Fairfield, m. [say 1715] Elizabeth Osborn.

Mary,* m. (rec. Stratford) 10 Dec. 1713, Caleb Dayton. Peter, b. abt. 1698, d. at Stratford, 8 Dec. 1753 in 56 yr. (g. s.); will 4 Dec. 1753, proved 15 Jan. 1754; to Daniel Foot, my house; to Mrs. Sarah wife of Mr. James Beach of Stratford, £50; residue to sons of late bro. Jehiel Foot, viz.: Joseph, Daniel, George, Jehiel; cousin Daniel Foot, Exec'r.

Ford, Timothy.

He was an original signer of the New Haven Covenant, 1639, and took the oath of allegiance 1644. He removed to Fairfield, where he was a land owner before 1650. He returned to New Haven, where he was fined in 1652 for defect in his arms, and being a new comer, he said that the requirements were different "where he came from."

He d. at New Haven, 28 Aug. 1684, his wife having d. 25 July 1681. He had five children, who remained in New Haven.

Forman, Samuel.

He had land recorded in Fairfield, 16 Jan. 1667 [1667/8], formerly purchased of Simon Couch.

He m. (1) ———. Winthrop wrote in 1660: Sam Firman his wife at Fairfield sister to Thos Hous wife he hath had 6 or 7 children & all dead but one which is about 1½ years.

He m. (2) 25 Mar. 1662, Miriam Hoyt, dau. of Simon.

He settled in Oyster Bay, L. I.

Forward, Joseph, s. of Samuel.

Born at Windsor, 10 Nov. 1674, son of Samuel and Ann; d. at Danbury in 1704.

Married Lydia Gregory, dau. of Judah, b. at Norwalk, 9 Jan. 1676/7. She m. (2) Thomas Wildman.

Inv. of Joseph of Danbury, 3 Oct. 1704. Widow Forward made oath; ages of the four children stated. On 3 Nov. 1707, "Lydia Forward that was, and now Wildman", widow of Joseph Forward, appeared in Court. Thomas Wildman who m. the

* Hypothetically placed as child of Daniel.

Martha, b. 9 Apr. 1717, bapt. 14 Apr. 1717; m. John Hall.
 Samuel, b. 16 Dec. 1718, bapt. 21 Dec. 1718; m. Catherine ———.
 XNathaniel, b. 3 Nov. 1720, d. in 1761; adm'n granted 15 June 1761;
 m. Rebecca ———, who d. by 1774.
 Ebenezer, b. 12 Mar. 1723.
 Sarah, b. 20 Feb. 1724/5; m. Joseph Booth.
 Mary, b. 18 Sept. 1726; m. 3 Nov. 1747, Sylvanus Morehouse.
 David, b. 20 June 1728.
 Abel, b. 12 July 1730, d. at Trumbull, 7 Mar. 1809 in 79 yr. (g. s.);
 m. 6 Sept. 1751, Rebecca Hall; dau. of Richard, b. abt. 1735, d.
 11 Jan. 1810 ae. 74 (g. s.).
 Seth, bapt. 20 Aug. 1732, d. y.

Hanford, (Rev.) Thomas. Colonial grant of 200 acres, Oct. 1674.

His mother, Eglin, was sister of Timothy Hatherly, the founder of Scituate, and came over in 1634, ae. 46, with her daus. Lettice (who m. 8 Apr. 1635, Edward Foster) and Margaret (who m. 1636, Isaac Robinson). Thomas appears to have come later, perhaps after completing his education, and was in Scituate by 1643; taught school in Roxbury, Mass.; freeman of Mass., 1650, and soon after settled in Norwalk.

Married (1) Hannah Newberry, dau. of Mr. Thomas of Dorchester, Mass.

Married (2) (rec. Norwalk) 22 Oct. 1661, widow Mary Ince. She was dau. of Richard Miles of New Haven, and widow of Jonathan Ince.

Inv. 4 Jan. 1693 [1693/4]. Heirs named: Theophilus, "whether living or dead uncertain"; Elizar; Elnathan; Samuel; Mary; Hannah; Elizabeth; Eunice, 18 next Mar.; Sarah, 16 next May. Widow Mary and her son Eliezar, and son-in-law Mr. John Edwards, appointed Adm'rs. They made a return, 13 Mar. 1693/4. Another Inv. of Rev. Thomas presented, 2 Apr. 1711; distribution ordered to heirs; one son and three daus. are decid'd leaving children, and three sons and two daus. living.

Inv. of Theophilus Hanford of Norwalk, 29 June 1705; adm'n granted to John Edwards, John Burr, and Joseph Platt. A later record shows that John Burr was dead by 12 Dec. 1705. Distribution made to surviving brothers and sisters, Thomas, Eliezar, and Samuel Hanford, Mary Edwards, Hannah Platt, Elizabeth

Burr Widow, and Sarah Hanford, and to heirs of dec'd Elnathan Hanford and Unice wife of Gershom Bulkeley.

On 22 Jan. 1722/3, Gershom Bulkeley of Fairfield and Eunice Bulkeley his dau. by his former wife Eunice who was one of the daus. of Rev. Thomas Hanford, conveyed to Joseph Platt of Norwalk, right that belongs to us in reversion after the death of the widow. On 26 Jan. 1722/3, Thomas, Eleazer, and Samuel Hanford, Joseph Platt in right of his wife Hannah, and by purchase from Gershom Bulkeley and his dau. Eunice, Samuel Comstock and Sarah his wife, all of Norwalk, and John Edwards in behalf of his children (the heirs of his wife Mrs. Mary Edwards dec'd), Thomas Hanford, and Thomas Hall in behalf of the heirs of Mrs. Elizabeth Burr dec'd, all of Fairfield, conveyed to Thomas Hanford their right in the dower set to Mrs. Mary Hanford, the widow, in the Est. of Rev. Thomas Hanford. [Norwalk Deeds.]

Children [by second wife], first seven recorded at Norwalk:

Theophilus, b. 29 July 1662, d. by 1705, unm. [See above.]
 Mary, b. 30 Nov. 1663; m. John Edwards, of Stratfield.
 Hannah, b. 28 June 1665; m. Joseph Platt.
 Elizabeth, b. 9 Jan. 1666 [1666/7], d. before 1708; m. John Burr, of Fairfield.
 +Thomas, b. 18 July 1668.
 +Eleazer, b. 15 Sept. 1670.
 +Elnathan, b. 11 Oct. 1672.
 +Samuel, b. 5 Apr. 1674.
 Eunice, b. Mar. 1675/6 (by probate rec.), d. by 1706; m. abt. 1700, Gershom Bulkeley.
 Sarah, b. May 1678 (by probate rec.); m. at Norwalk, 27 Dec. 1705, Samuel Comstock.

Hanford, Thomas, s. of Thomas.

Born at Norwalk, 18 July 1668; d. there 7 June 1743 in 75 yr. (g. s.).

Married Hannah (Lockwood), widow of John Burwell, and dau. of Gershom Lockwood. She d. at Norwalk, 28 Dec. 1745 ae. 78 yrs. 5 days.

Will 9 May 1733, proved 22 Aug. 1743; wife Hannah; sons Theophilus, Thomas, Elnathan; my brother Gershom Lockwood; daus. Elizabeth Waren, Catherine Raymond, Mary Fayerweather.

John Copp took to wife Mrs. Ruth Belden, widow and relict of Lt. John Belden, late of Norwalk, Jan. 4, 1711—.

Samuel Grumman, late of Fairfield, took to wife Rebeckah Betts, daughter of Mr. Daniel Betts, of Norwalk, Jan. 10, 1721-2.

Sarah Grumman, daughter, born Oct. 28, 1722.

Samuel,

born May 8, 1725.

Rebeckah,

born Sept. 24, 1727.

Mary,

born Oct. 20, 1729.

Thomas,

born Aug. 22, 1731.

Sarah Lockwood, ye daughter of Joseph and Mary Lockwood, was born Nov. 28, 1723, and departed this life Feb. 1, 1726-7.

Isaac Lockwood, ye son of ye said Joseph and Mary Lockwood, was born Dec. 24, 1726.

Thomas Fitch, * Jun., of Norwalk, took to wife Hannah

* Thomas Fitch graduated at Yale College in 1721, was Lieut. Gov., Chief Justice, and Governor of the Colony from 1754 to 1766.

The following is the inscription on his tombstone:

THE HONORABLE THOMAS FITCH, ESQ.,

GOV. OF THE COLONY OF CONNECTICUT,

Eminent and distinguished among mortals
for great abilities, large acquirements, and a
virtuous character;

a clear, strong, sedate mind,

and an accurate, extensive acquaintance

with law and civil government;

a happy talent of presiding,

close application and strict fidelity,

in the discharge of important trusts,

no less than

for his employments by the voice of the people

in the chief offices of State,

and at the head of the colony.

Having served his generation by the will of God,
fell asleep July 18, Anno Domini 1774,

in the 78th year of his age.

Hall, ye daughter of Mr. Richard Hall, of New Haven, Sept. 4, 1724.

Thomas,

born Aug. 12, 1725.

Jonathan,

born Apr. 12, 1727.

Ebenezer,

born Feb. 25, 1728-9.

Hannah,

born Apr. 10, 1731.

Mary,

born Sept. 20, 1733.

David Lambert, of Norwalk, took to wife Laurana Bill, daughter of Mr. John Bill, of Lebanon, and was married to her Feb. 1, 1726-7.

Elisabeth, daughter, born Feb. 17, 1727-8.

Elisabeth Hayes, widow of Mr. Samuel Hayes, departed this life Nov. 3, 1729.

Mr. Thomas Fitch, sen., deceased May 10, 1731.

Thomas Reed, jr., took to wife Sarah Bennam, daughter of John Bennam, of West Haven, Oct. 2, 172—.

Thomas, son, born June 22, 1730.

Ebenezer,

born Apr. 3, 1732.

Jesse,

born July 29, 1734.

Peter,

born Apr. 3, 1737.

Sarah,

born June 19, 1737.

Eli,

born Sept. 24, 1743.

Nathaniel Fitch, of Norwalk, took to wife Hannah Ray, monid, daughter of Capt. John Raymond, Nov. 24, 1725.

Hannah, born Nov. 2, 1725.

Dann, born Sept. 29, 1731.

Thomas Person, Jun., of Darby, took to wife Ruth Holebrook, the daughter of Mr. Abel Holebrook, Feb. 22, 1727-8.

Mehetabel, born Jan. 13, 1728-9.

Timothy,

born Nov. 7, 1732.

Nathan,

born Nov. 27, 1734.

Ruth, ye wife of sd Thos. Person, died Oct. 14, 1737.

Said Thos. Person took to wife ye widow Elisabeth

Thomas, Mar. 7, 1738.

John Betts, ye son of John Betts, took to wife Damaris

Finch

*Could this be
Pawlet?*

*Looking for
King's Place
m. B. Foster
1751*

Mathew Hayt, jr. married Mary Keeler, Nov. 14, 1793.

Chauncey, born Sept. 17, 1795.
Polly, born Dec. 16, 1798.

Enoch Scribner married Betty Benedict, March 22, 1781.

Jeremiah, born Feb. 19, 1782.
William, born June 14, 1783.
Mary, born Sept. 15, 1785.
George, born Mar. 11, 1780.
Sally, born Sept. 14, 1790.
Charles, born Mar. 24, 1793.
Joseph, born Oct. 30, 1796.

Bartlet Hanford, married Hannah Raymond, May 6, 1798,

Hugh Dickson married Mary Stuart, Jan. 3, 1797.

Peter Smith married Esther Green, Aug. 1770.

Henry, born Dec. 20, 1778.
Sarah, born Nov. 20, 1784.

Moses Hanford, married Mercy Kellogg, Oct. 1, 1761.

Moses, born July 1, 1767.
Nathan, born July 19, 1770.
Thaddens, born Nov. 1, 1772.
Martin, born July 18, 1775.
Mercy, born Mar. 3, 1778.
Betty, born Aug. 13, 1780.
Seth, born Mar. 28, 1783.
David, born Sept. 2, 1785.

Thaddens Hanford, married Sally St. John, Oct. 4, 1797.

Sally, born Nov. 27, 1798.

Saml St. John married Hannah B. Richards, Mar. 1, 1798.

Uriah Selleck married Hannah Smith, May 18, 1784.

Zalmon, born Mar. 31, 1795.
Nancy, born July 6, 1806.

Aaron St. John, married Mercy St. John, March 23, 1784.

Platt, born March 2, 1786.
Sarah, born July 13, 1788.
Cynthia, born Mar. 8, 1790.
Mehitabel, born Feb. 19, 1792.
Esther, born Feb. 17, 1794.
Maria, born Dec. 28, 1795.

Phinehas Keeler married Mary Camp, May 16, 1769.

Luke, born Feb. 15, 1770.
Anna, born Oct. 8, 1771.

The said Mary, wife of Phinehas, died May 7, 1774.

The said Phinehas married Rebeckah Mead, July 9, 1775.

Phebe Baxter, born March 9, 1779.
Thaddens M. born April 16, 1786.

Luke Keeler married Jemimah Benedict, May 20, 1783.

Lewis, born June 1, 1794.
Amy, born May 7, 1797.

Zalmon Morgan, married Mary Rockwell, Dec. 29, 1790.

Sarah, born April 26, 1791.
Zalmon, born Oct. 19, 1792.
Thaddens, born July 30, 1796.
Curtis, born July 5, 1798.

Timothy Keeler married Hannah Hickox, April 15, 1757.

Uriah, born Mar. 19, 1760.
Hannah, born Feb. 24, 1762.
Sarah, born Sept. 16, 1765.
Benjamin, born Aug. 1, 1771.
Stephen, born June 27, 1776.

Elind Deforest married Isabel Hayt, April 29, 1791.

Fanny, born Sept. 12, 1791.
Hiram, born Jan. 12, 1793.
Sally, born Nov. 26, 1794.
Charles, born Nov. 22, 1796.

Nathan Sandford married Abigail Bennett, Sept. 9, 1781.

Polly, born May, 1792.
Nath'n Platt, born July 12, 1784.

The said Abigail, wife of Nathan died, Sept. 30, 1788.

The said Nath. Sandford married Eliz. Mead, Jan. 10, 1789.

James, born May 6, 1792.
Charity, born April 20, 1795.

Elijah Gregory married Rhuana Gregory, Nov. 175-

Joseph, born Feb. 1758.
Jemima, born April, 1760.
Elizabeth, born Oct. 1761.

Richard Sherman and Betsey Whitney married Feb. 1, 1793.

Eliza, born July 17, 1795.
Richard, born Jan. 25, 1794.

Thomas Fitch 1700 to July 18, 1774

Lawyer, colonial governor, was the great grandson of Thomas Fitch, one of the earliest settlers of Norwalk, CT., and was born in that town, the son of Thomas Fitch, Jr., and his wife Sarah. As a member of the town's wealthiest and most prominent family, he entered readily into the inner political group of the colony of CT and by his own abilities gained a position of leadership. He graduated from Yale College in 1721 and three years later married Hannah Hall of New Haven, who bore him eight children. He began his political career in 1726 as deputy from Norwalk to the General Assembly, serving on four subsequent occasions during the next five years. He was an Assistant in 1734-35 and again during 1740-50, when, upon the death of Gov. Jonathan Law and the advancement of Deputy Gov. Roger Wolcott, he was chosen deputy governor by the Assembly over the heads of the three senior Assistants. He was re-elected by the freemen in each of the three following years. In 1754, when Gov. Wolcott came under popular suspicion in connection with the embezzlement of most of the cargo of a Spanish ship which had put into New London harbor in distress, as a result, Fitch attained the distinction of being the first man to defeat a Connecticut governor for re-election when the latter was an avowed candidate. Fitch was elected governor and held the office continually thereafter until 1766 when he was defeated because of his attitude in the Stamp Act controversy. Although regularly nominated for the magistracy in each of the remaining years of his life, he was never again elected. He was a deputy from Norwalk in 1772, but never held any royal appointments in Mass. as has sometimes been inferred.

Fitch was a lawyer by profession. In this capacity he served the colony on several occasions, including notably the land controversy with the Mohican Indians and the dispute with Mass. over the boundary. He was given charge of the revision of the laws of Conn., a task which he completed with some assistance in 1749. As deputy governor from 1750 to 1754 he was regularly appointed, as was the custom, chief judge of the superior courts. Many years after Fitch's death, President Dwight of Yale referred to him as probably the most learned lawyer who has ever been an inhabitant of the colony. He had various other interests as well. In 1740 together with two associates, he secured from the Assembly a 15-year monopoly of the right to make steel within the colony, experiments in which enterprise conducted at Simsbury were reported as successful four years later. As a young man, he served as a supply for the pulpit of the Norwalk Church and in 1765 there appeared a tract, attributed to Fitch, which analyzed the Saybrook Platform of the consociated churches of Connecticut.

It was however, in his capacity as governor during a term which included the last intercolonial war and the Stamp Act controversy that he was the most distinguished. He was an ardent supporter of the British cause during the war and was largely responsible for the fact that the Connecticut Assembly more than once exceeded its quota of troops, although he did not entirely escape the impatient criticism of the British commanders-in-chief. When, after the close of the war, proposals were first made for parliamentary taxation of the colonies, the Assembly requested Fitch and certain others to draw up the objections of the colony to such legislation. The resulting "book of Reasons" for which the governor was chiefly responsible was a clear and concise statement of the constitutional, historical and economic arguments of the colony against the proposed stamp tax. (Reasons why the British colonies in America should not be charged with internal taxes, by authority of Parliament; Humbly offered for consideration in Behalf of the Colony of Connecticut, 1764)

Fitch's legalistic mind, which had been most helpful in this work caused his downfall when the Stamp Act had finally been passed. Although he was unsympathetic to the tax, he believed in submission to parliamentary enactment and considered logical reasoning and sound arguments, but which completely ignored the feelings and passions of the colonists. (Some reasons that influenced the governor to take, and the Councilors to Administer the Oath, Required by the Act of Parliament; commonly called the Stamp Act. Humbly submitted to the consideration of the Publick, 1766) Neither this pamphlet, however, nor the support of the conservatives of the colony, was able to save him in the election of May 1766. Although little is known about his personality, he displayed in all his actions a high sense of duty, courage, and an outlook on politics which extended beyond the confines of his little colony and included the larger world of the British Empire.

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The inclusion of a sketch of Fitch in Lorenzo Sabine, Am. Loyalists, 1847, is quite misleading in its implications.

Original history in bold print

My comments in normal print

OLD FITCH FAMILY HISTORY 2

Not sure who wrote this, but appears to be a grandson of Giles Fitch. Have heard that a Stephen Fitch had written a history that other folks had been unable to find. Perhaps this is it. Stephen is the son of Asher, and Asher the son of Giles. He states that his grandfather lived with them for a time. Cannot find Asher, Giles, or Stephen on the 1880 census which might tell us if it was Asher that he lived with. If so, then Stephen was probably the author of this family history.

Old history will be in bold type – my corrections or thoughts in regular print

THE FITCH FAMILY

Sir Thomas Fitch, son of Thomas, born 1562. I have the line back to 1294 to John Fitch, who was living in Fitch Castle in the Parish of Widdington in Northwest part of Essex at that time.

Most folks now do not believe that there was really a Fitch castle. No evidence of it can be found. John Townsend Fitch found no evidence of it, and there doesn't seem to be any remains of such a castle to be found in modern England.

**The name has been written in those days –
Fytche, Fiytche, Fytch, Fiytch**

The family came from Germany about A. D. 520. Possible but no actual evidence found so far that this is a fact unless this writer has something that they did not put into this history.

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**Joseph of Windsor; he is the grandfather of John Fitch, inventor of the
Steamboat.**

John of Windsor

The dates they came to America are probably incorrect. James Fitch did come in 1638 when he was 16 years old to study under Hooker. The rest probably came about 1650 after their brother Nathaniel died in England. Thomas talks about how he spent all his money in the Civil War in England and then had to use what he had left to bring his family to America. It appears that they were yet in England when brother Nathaniel died which was 1648/9.

Thomas Fitch, Governor, was the fourth generation in America, not a son of Thomas and Anne Reeve. He would have been Thomas #4 in America.

I believe that Joseph was the great grandfather of "steamboat John"

John of Windsor may be of another family. Though he may also have been descendant of Joseph, but most likely no son of Thomas in England. Thomas did have a son, John, but he stayed in England and was in the Army. He seemed to have been called Capt. and was in the middle of taking care of people during the plague that hit London and England about 1666 and he died of the plague in 1666.

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Time for some corrections and thoughts of my own on this. By number they have it lined up like the family line went from Rev. James, to Major James, to Capt. John, to 3 more Johns. Yet Capt. John was the son of Rev. James Fitch and not Major James. That was even noted

in the part that says Capt. John was the son of Rev. James Fitch and Priscilla Mason. So seems some confusion there.

But the whole line is wrong. Starting with the last John #6, born 1756. He was the son of Capt. John Fitch and Elizabeth Waterman as stated. However it has been proven that this John died in 1807 in Windham Co.; Cemetery, burial stones and all confirm this. He married Clarissa Wales and they had 4 children, none of which were children of our John Fitch who came to PA. John Townsend Fitch has proven very easily that this John and the one who came to PA are not the same.

Since the rest of the ancestors on back are fairly well documented in the line of James Fitch and in the books of John Townsend Fitch, it is very clear that we have been given the wrong lineage for our John, if we were to take this one as our ancestor. He was not. Even the statement about John Fitch being of the Commissary during the Rev. War is not this John Fitch that the statement was applied to – John of Windham. This was another John Fitch also.

Then the assignment of this land to our John Fitch, which was said to be the old homestead, did not go to John #6 as said in this history. We are not sure how he received this land, but it was probably not from his war service. He probably bought it outright, but we do not know just when. The whole state of CT and PA were in a state of turmoil at that time and there was a local war over this land. That battle on the field, and in the courts, lasted until about 1802 when it was finally settled that the land belonged to PA, and not CT and that the settlers from CT would become citizens of the state of Pennsylvania. The only thing we know about this was that John was able to purchase the land, paying a certain amount per acre, and that money then would go to the PA claimants that thought the land should be theirs. I have seen nothing about an assignment of the land. It was more than likely that our John either owned a share in the Susquehanna Company (the CT folks who settled the Wyoming Valley) and was able then to proclaim that he was a CT claimant before the year 1782. The state of PA also claimed that he was. Thus he was able to stay on his land though most of his life in PA it was a battle back and forth to be able to keep it. About the time his son Nathaniel Sr. was married, it became secure to them.

On with their story:

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The above story about the controversy is quite true except we do not know for sure that John ever received different land than he had originally. All papers seem to point to his original 241 acres as being where he had lived since he came from CT. His application for his land asked for 300 acres. If he ever lived there before, it would have had to be during the Rev. War. From his past, we cannot show that he did, or that he didn't. Most records in CT seem to show that he was in CT until about 1788. Sold his property in 1786-87. And is found on the Luzerne Co., PA census list for 1790.

The fact that he didn't sign his name is unusual as it would seem both of the John's that we have researched should have been educated. But perhaps there was another reason that he could not sign his name. We have one document that seems to show that he did sign his name for that one (assuming that our John came down from Thomas Fitch from Norwalk).

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Yes, we have that picture of Jeff and the Fitch brothers, sons of Nathaniel Fitch.

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Children of Alice & John II

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12 children--

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84- Spencer---1811-1895 married Elizabeth Sickler 1817-1893
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25^{yes} John-----1816-1841 - later history says John & Seymour came to Indiana, caught colds and died here. However this says Seymour died in 1855 and is buried in PA.
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These papers were
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Library. Some research

Some errors found by
new info

BORN	BAPTIZED	DIED	AGE	MARRIED	PARENTS
9-29-1677					John Fitch Francis & Hannah (Seymour) Bostwick
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1708					Lydia Olmstead John & Sarah
1709					Abigail Reed
1711					Abigail Reed
1713					William Burt
1717					Elizabeth Hanford
1720					
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Therophloeus Fitch

(1)

(2)

CHILDREN

Concord

Ruth

+ John

Sarah

Mary

Sarah

Sarah

+ Therophloeus

Alvin

+ Joseph

New-Canada

Jan 30 1737

April 1734

Aug 1740

Sept 10 1742

July 11 1744

Jan 16 1746

Jan 21 1749

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July 24 1756

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Nov 6 1774

Feb 7 1781

Oct 11 1781

Oct 12 1788

John & Lydia

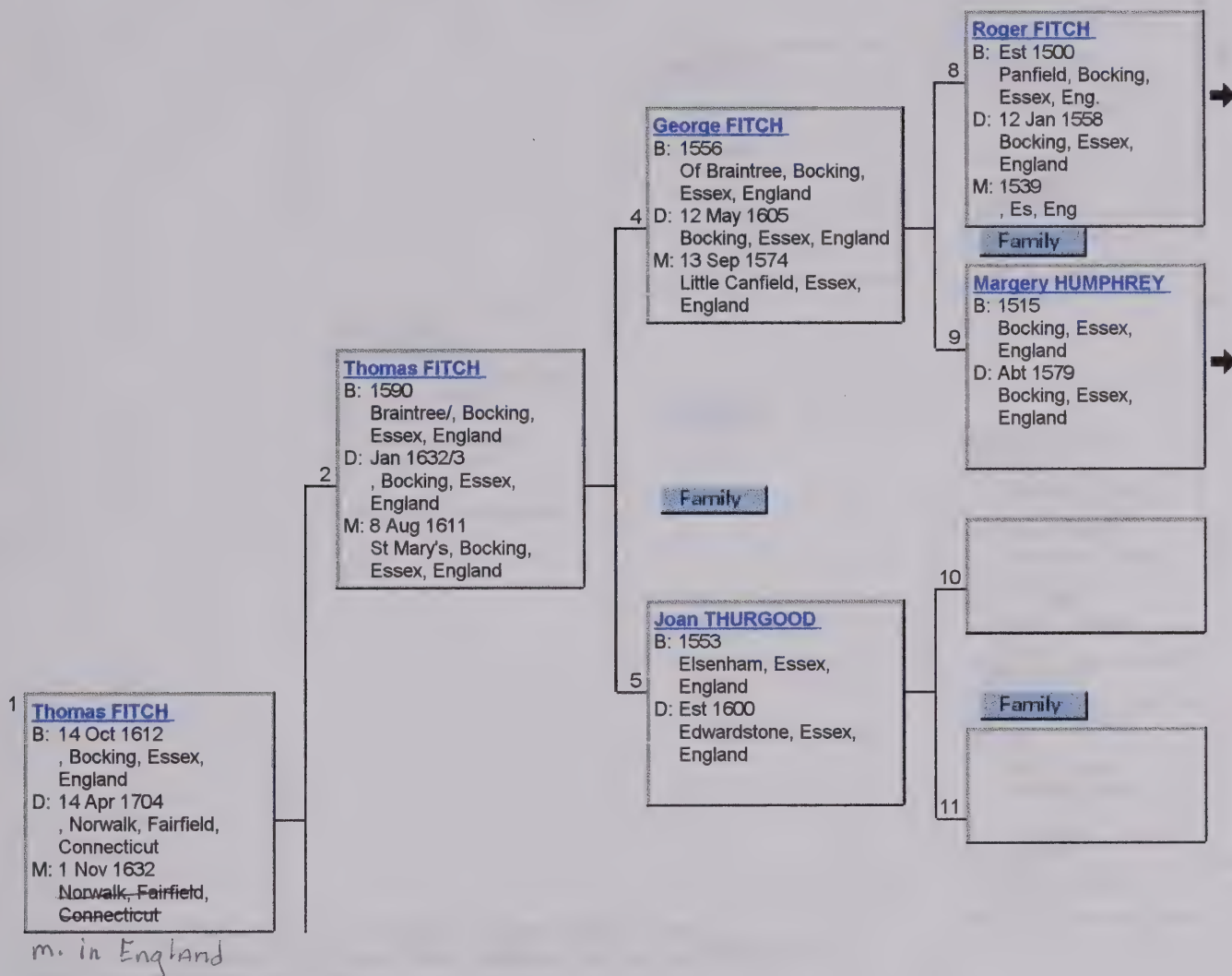
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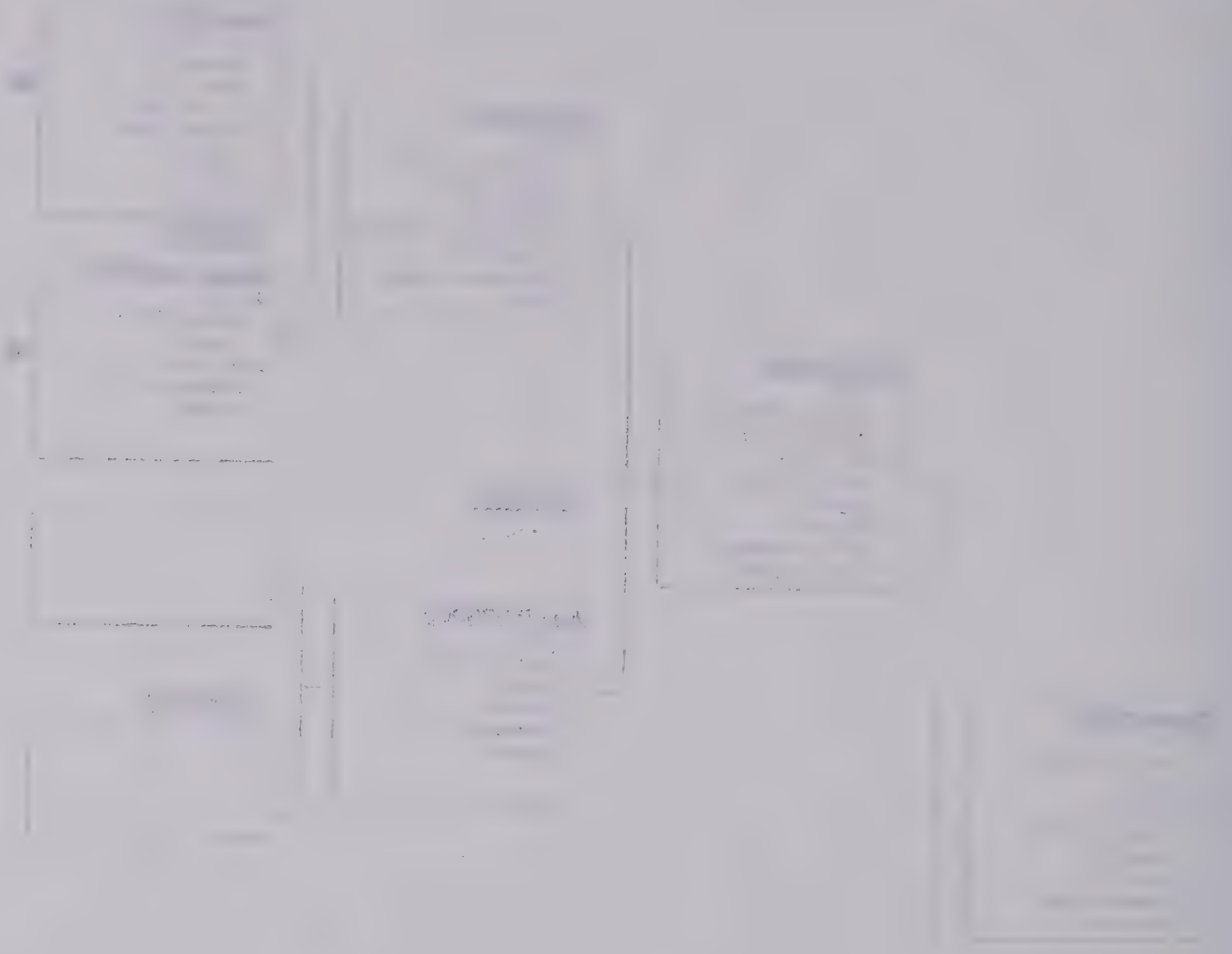
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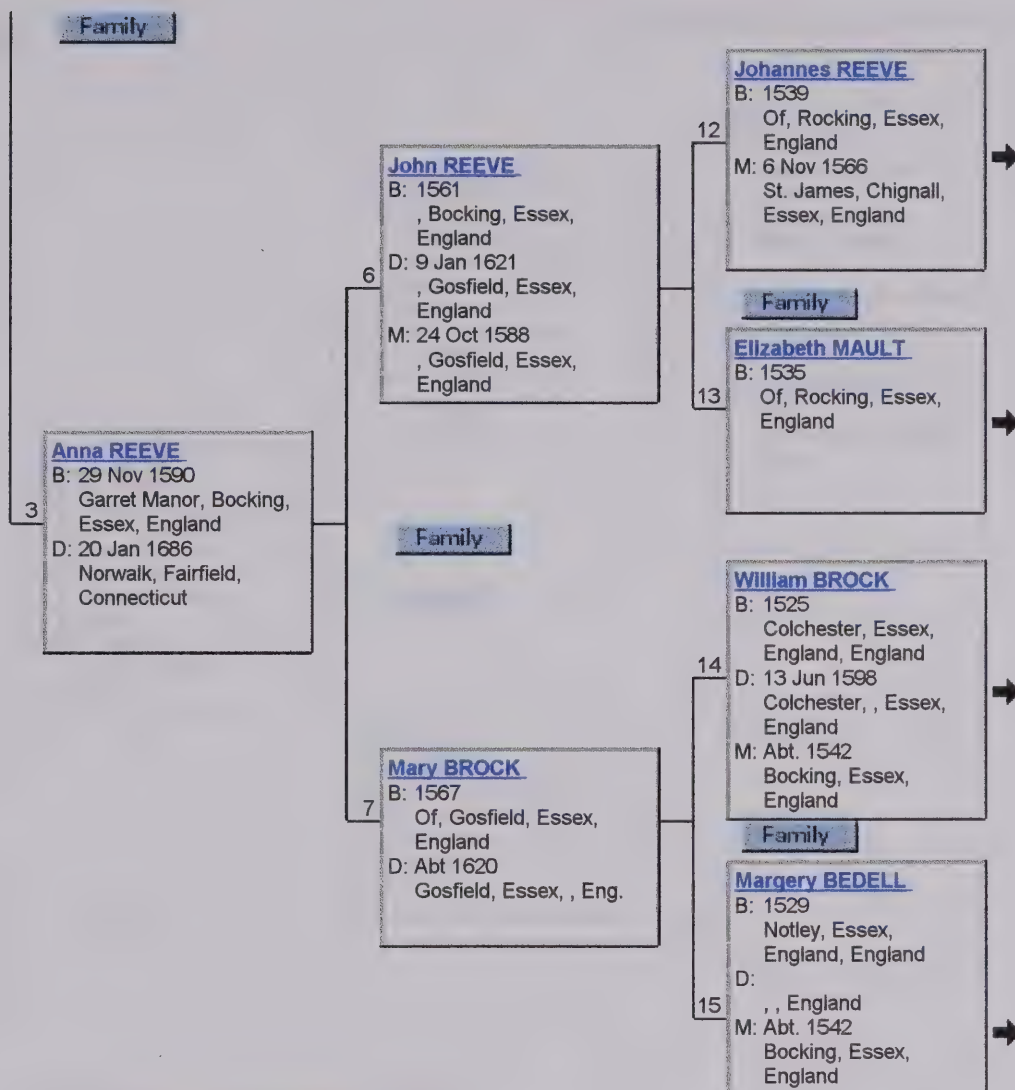
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Matthew Fitch	May 1708		Apr 16 1779			John & Lydia	
(1) Susanna St John						Chas & Elizabeth (Gowditch)	
(2) Lydia Christened						Nathan died	
	New-Canaan						NAME
Jessamine	Dec 25 1730	New-Canaan					
Nathan	Oct 15 1739				Jan 8 1761	Mehitable Dent	
Mercy	Dec 29 1740					Moses & John	
Hannah	Aug 26 1742				Oct 27 1765	Jessamine & Zinta	
Matthew	June 7 1744				Dec 27 1770	Sarah Reed	
Lydia	Apr 4 1746				Mar 10 1774	Chas Kellogg	
Rebecca	July 9 1748						
Susanna	Aug 27 1750						
Abigail					Nov 24 1780	Billy French	

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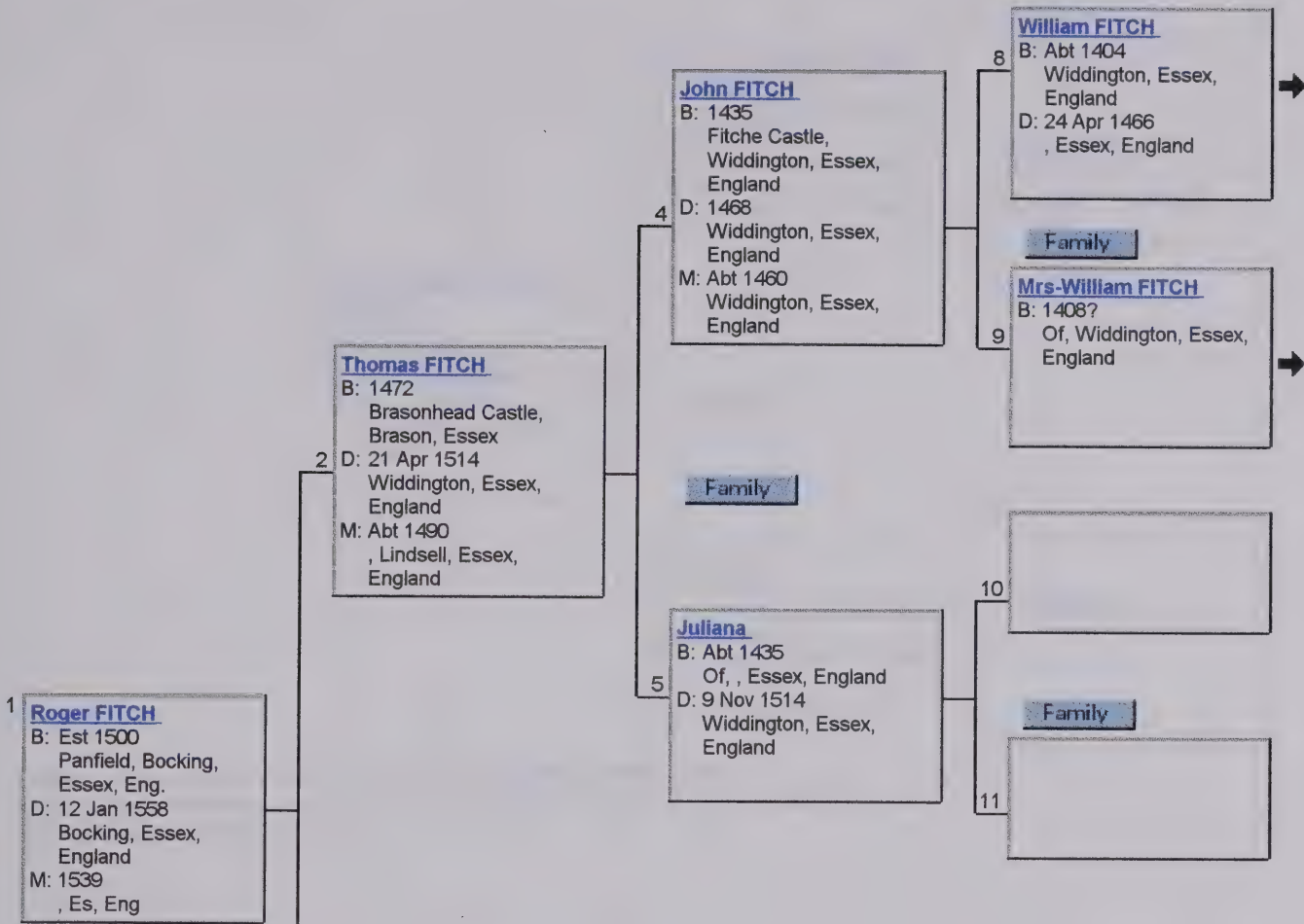


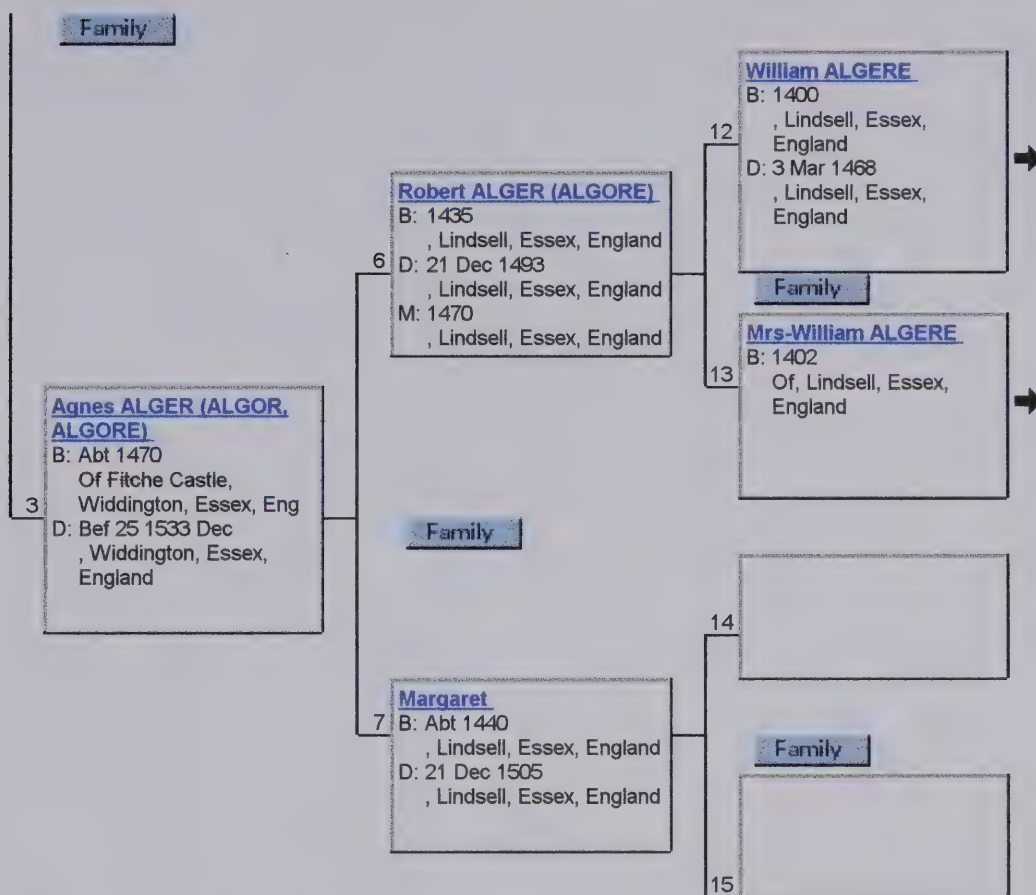


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Family Group Sheet

Husband: Thomas Fitch		<i>Clothier, produced wool cloth</i>
Born: October 12, 1612	in: Bocking, Essex, England	
Married: November 09, 1632	in: Essex, England.....poss. Bocking, Nov. 1 ??	
Died: Bef. April 14, 1704	in: Norwalk, Connecticut	
Father: Thomas Fitch	<i>PARENTS: Thomas Fitch GR PARENTS: George Fitch</i>	
Mother: Anne Reeve	<i>ANNE Reeve MARGERY</i>	
Wife: Anne Stacie		
Born: 1613	in: Bocking, Essex, England (no source for this) or 1611	
Died: 1680	in: Norwalk, CT.....see notes (poss. 1673 or 1-20-1686)	
Father: William Stacie		
Mother: Agnes Anna Garrold		
CHILDREN		
1	Name: Thomas Fitch II	
M	Born: 1630	in: Bocking, Essex, England
	Married: 1662	
	Died: 1684	in: Norwalk, Connecticut
	Spouse: Ruth Clarke	
2	Name: John Fitch	
M	Born: 1633	in: Bocking, Essex, England
	Married: December 03, 1674	in: Norwalk, Connecticut.....Norwalk Vital Records, LR1, page 112
	Died: Aft. January 1713/14	in: prob. Norwalk, CT and prob after Jan. of 1713/14
	Spouse: Rebecca Lindall	
3	Name: Mary Fitch	
F	Born: 1643	in: Prob. Bocking, Essex, England
	Married: June 28, 1669	
	Died: December 25, 1730	
	Spouse: Matthew Sherwood	
4	Name: Ann Fitch	
F	Born: 1645	in: Bocking, Essex, England ... reported in Rootsweb, or 1638 from L.H. Fitch
	Married: 1696	in: m. date from L.H. Fitch
		in: Connecticut
	Spouses: Stephen Hart, John Thompson	
5	Name: Sarah Fitch	
F	Born: 1647	in: Prob. Bocking, Essex, England
	Married: Bet. 1659 - 1672	
	Died: Bet. 1696 - 1704	
	Spouse: John Burr	

Family Group Sheet

Husband: Matthew Sherwood	
Born: 1643 Married: June 28, 1669 Died: October 26, 1715 Father: Thomas Sherwood Mother: Mary Fitch	
in: Stratford, Bridgeport, Fairfield Co., CT	
Wife: Mary Fitch	
6 children	
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in: Prob. Bocking, Essex, England GR. PARENTS: Thomas Fitch + Anne Reeve Wm. Stacie + Agnes GARROLD	
CHILDREN	
1 M	Name: Lemuel Sherwood Spouse: Anne Wheeler
2 F	Name: Mary Sherwood Born: 1672 Married: March 07, 1697/98 Died: September 16, 1752 Spouse: Daniel Fitch
	in: Fairfield, Fairfield County, CT in: Preston, CT in: Montville, CT

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Married: 1696

in: of Farmington, CT

in: m. date from L.H. Fitch

Wife: Ann Fitch

Born: 1645

in: Bocking, Essex, England ... reported in Rootsweb, or 1638 from L.H. Fitch

in: Connecticut

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Other Spouses: Stephen Hart

GR. PARENTS: Thomas Fitch & Anne Reeve
Wm Stacie & Agnes Garrold

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Family Group Sheet

Husband: John Burr <i>Major</i>		
Born: Abt. 1633	in: of Fairfield, CT Prob. Roxbury, Norf. MA	
Married: Bet. 1659 - 1672		
Died: March 19, 1692/93	in: Fairfield County, CT	
Father: Jehu John Burr		
Mother: Possible Cable		
Other Spouses: Mary Warde		
Wife: Sarah Fitch <i>m. 1672</i>		
Born: 1647	in: Prob. Bocking, Essex, England	
Died: Bet. 1696 - 1704		
Father: Thomas Fitch	<i>GR. Parents: Thomas Fitch + Anne Reeve</i>	
Mother: Anne Stacie	<i>Wm. Stacie + Agnes GARROld</i>	
CHILDREN		
1 M	Name: John Burr, Jr. Born: May 02, 1673 in: Fairfield, Fairfield County, CT Died: November 1705 in: Fairfield, Fairfield County, CT Spouse: Elizabeth Hanford	
2 F	Name: Sarah Burr Born: July 25, 1675 in: Fairfield, Fairfield County, CT Married: June 29, 1692 in: Fairfield Co., Connecticut Died: June 15, 1697 Spouse: Charles Chauncey	
3 M	Name: Seth Burr Born: June 21, 1677 in: Fairfield, Fairfield County, CT Died: 1677 in: Died young Fairfield, Fairfield Co., CT	
4 M	Name: Samuel Burr Born: April 02, 1679 in: Fairfield, Fairfield County, CT Married: December 16, 1700 Died: August 07, 1719 in: Fairfield, Fairfield County, CT (or Charlestown, Suffolk Co., MA) Spouses: Dorothy Thompson, Elizabeth Jenner	
5 M	Name: Ebenezer Burr Born: February 07, 1680/81 in: Fairfield, Fairfield County, CT Died: 1681 in: Fairfield, Fairfield County, CT	
6 M	Name: Joseph Burr Born: Abt. 1682 in: Fairfield, Fairfield County, CT Died: Abt. 1683 in: in infancy	
7 F	Name: Mary Burr Born: August 18, 1683 in: Fairfield, Fairfield County, CT ... or Aug. 19 Married: Abt. 1702 Died: Abt. 1717 Spouse: John Osborn	
8 F	Name: Deborah Burr Born: Abt. 1686 in: Fairfield, Fairfield County, CT Married: March 24, 1713/14 in: Stratfield, CT Spouse: Timothy Treadwell	
9 F	Name: Dorothy Burr Born: Abt. 1686 in: Fairfield, Fairfield County, CT	
10 M	Name: Jonathan Burr Born: Abt. 1687 in: Fairfield, Fairfield County, CT Died: April 1710 in: Fairfield, Fairfield County, CT (between 1710-1711 see estate dist.)	

Prepared By:

Family Group Sheet

11 M	Name: David Burr Born: Abt. 1689	in: Fairfield, Fairfield County, CT in: Died young, tho still living at time of father's will, 1693/94
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Family Group Sheet

Husband: John Fitch

Born: 1633 in: Bocking, Essex, England
 Married: December 03, 1674 in: Norwalk, Connecticut.....Norwalk Vital Records, LR1, page 112
 Died: Aft. January 1713/14 in: prob. Norwalk, CT and prob after Jan. of 1713/14
 Father: Thomas Fitch *Gr. Parents: Thomas Fitch & Anne Reeve*
 Mother: Anne Stacie *William Stacie & Agnes GARROld*

Wife: Rebecca Lindall

Born: Bef. October 20, 1653 in: New Haven, Connecticut.....date of baptism
 Father: Deacon Henry Lindall m. 2 - Nathaniel Richard; brought 4 dau. to Norwalk
 Mother: Rosamond Street

CHILDREN

1 M	Name: John Fitch II Born: September 29, 1677 in: Norwalk, Connecticut "Edwin Hall", Norwalk Vital Rec., Vol. LR1, page 112
	Married: 1707 Died: Bet. 1748 - 1760 in: Norwalk, Connecticut Spouse: Lydia Bushnell
2 F	Name: Rebecca Fitch Born: January 15, 1678/79 in: Norwalk, Connecticut, "Edwin Hall"
3 M	Name: Nathaniel Fitch Born: November 06, 1682 in: Norwalk, Connecticut "Edwin Hall" Died: March 24, 1742/43 in: Norwalk, Connecticut Spouses: Elizabeth, Sarah Seeley, Anna Mallory
4 F	Name: Mary Fitch Born: December 13, 1684 Married: December 11, 1711 in: Norwalk, Connecticut.....or Dec. 13 Spouse: Ebenezer Gregory

		PARENTS			
		NAME	MARRIED	AGE	DIED
		Wm. & Anna Stacey			
		Dea Henry of New Haven & Rosamond Kindall (Street)			
		John B. Smith			
		Eli, Sarah & Anna Haworth Raymond?			
		George Young			
CHILDREN		BORN	BAPTIZED	DIED	AGE
		1633 Berkbury, Eng			
		10-30-1653			
		1748/100			
		1743			
		12-13-1684			
		1748/100			
		1743			
		12-13-1684			

Deacon Henry kindall

Rosamond Street

A. Nathaniel Richards
of Norwalk settlers

Brought 4 daughters to Norwalk After Henry's death

#	Children	Born	Bapt.	Died	Age	Married	Spouse	Born	Died	Age	# Child
	Mary kindall	10-30-1653	10-30-52			12-3-1674	John Hext				
	Rebecca kindall	New Haven	Rev. John Davenport			Norwalk	John Fitch				
	Grace kindall						Ralph Keeler, Jr.				SARAH
	Mercy kindall						Joseph Hetchum				

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Need to ck deeds

John Fitch #2 and his brother, Nathaniel, acquired 200 acres on Clapboard Hill in New Canaan, approximately 4 miles from Norwalk. So named for the straight grain oak tree grove, used for clapboard siding.

Bushnell

John Fitch #2 and Lydia admitted June 20, 1733, to the church New Canaan Congregational Church records. The founders, Rev. Davenport ran New Canaan until 1791. He believed in the church running the world and the people. Rev. Hooker said the people will rule. They controlled various parishes. They kept Conn. divided until the Duke of York made his move to combine New England and New York into a single royal province. The Davenport and Hooker factions met at New Canaan and joined forces to meet foe which united Connecticut. United we stand, divided we fall!

C.W. Fitch

Source: Florida researcher

John Fitch ~~X~~ and Elizabeth Lockwood

Son of John Fitch ~~IXI~~, Jr. and ~~Elizabeth Hartford~~ ^{Prob. Eliz. Beels?}

Born ~~1745~~ (1737)

Married Elizabeth Lockwood Nov 6, 1766 Weston Church Records

Died ~~1832??~~ 1815

Siblings: Nathaniel, Elizabeth, Susannah

Children: Gideon, Nathaniel, John Jr., SUSANNA, SARAH, Betsey, Lydia?

Mr. Jacobus calls this John Fitch as "unplaced" in his "Old Fairfield Families", but they were married at Weston, Conn.

Elizabeth Lockwood is the daughter of John and Abigail (Morehouse) Lockwood. And Abigail is the daughter of Gideon and Mary (Gruman) Morehouse.

The will of John Lockwood mentions that Elizabeth is deceased and that means she died before 1784 (Feb) the date of the will. And it also mentions that she has children.

City was prob
County
not city.
" the John that had children, Gideon and Nathaniel, was from the Fairfield line (near Norwalk), so he probably descended from Thomas Fitch, not James. He married Elizabeth Lockwood, Nov. 6, 1766. Nathaniel was born Fairfield City, Feb. 12, 1782. I don't have a birthdate for Gideon. (But we do as 1770-71) Rogers says they also had a younger brother named John. John lived at Luzerne City, Pa., but don't know where he died."

Rogers Coll. Hartford, Conn. State Library From John T. Fitch

A younger male is not found on the census, only females

History and Genealogy of Families of Old Fairfield, Conn., Vol. 2, Part 3, page 344 gives the following John Fitch married Nov. 6, 1766 Elizabeth Lockwood (Weston Church records), but the lineage of this John is not given. A study of the ancestry of Elizabeth Lockwood (John, John, Joseph, Robert) shows that she was the daughter of John Lockwood and Abigail Morehouse and Abigail Morehouse was the daughter of Gideon Morehouse. The John Fitch we seek went with a Morehouse and the name Gideon appears in the descendants of John Fitch. An effort was made to prove that John Fitch who married Elizabeth Lockwood went to Pennsylvania, but such proof was not found.

From the Fairfield Probate Records in FAirfield, the following abstracts were made:

Vol. 21, p. 58 - John Lockwood, of Fairfield, will dated Feb. 13, 1784, probated Jan. 17, 1785. Mentions wife Abigail, remainder to my children living and grandchildren of the deceased, viz., to the children of my son Jabez, of Fairfield, deceased, and to John Lockwood, Jr. and the children of Ephriam, deceased, and Michael, Gideon and Albert and Samuel, and the daughters Anne, Abigail, Mary, and the children of Elizabeth, deceased, and Susannah.

Vol. 24, p. 356 - Distribution June 12, 1783 of dower in estate of Ephriam Lockwood, of Fairfield, to his widow Ann Lockwood, one-third of house and lands. *Whitlock*

In a further study to find if Elizabeth Lockwood who married John Fitch could have any connection with the John Fitch who went to Pennsylvania, land records in Fairfield were studied and Vol. 19, p. 114, showed a deed dated Jan. 27, 1774 of Ephraim Lockwood, of Fairfield, to John Lockwood of Fairfield, my father, land in Fairfield in Norfield Parish in Beachums and Lockwoods Long Lotts between Saugatuck River and the Third Gross Highway. (His land in Northfield, the present Weston which is north of the old Fairfield and Norwalk.)

Lindall Fitch, son of Nathaniel 3, John 2, Thomas 1, and Anna became a member of the New Canaan church August 10, 1755. He died March 24, 1773, aged 56, of "a consumption and gravel". He married Mary Bartlett and their son, Seymour 5 of New Canaan, Conn., was baptized, June 27, ___42. Seymour 5 Fitch married 1. Elizabeth, daughter of Ezra and Phoebe Benedict Hoyt. Among their children was Seymour 6 Fitch, born May 14, 1764, in New Canaan, FAirfield County, Conn., then a parish of Norwalk. He Married Jan. 1, 1784, Dina, daughter of Elijah and Mary (Raymong) Hoyt. In the spring of 1799 he removed with his wife and four children to Walton Delaware Co. N.Y.; died April 23, 1834, in Northfield (North Walton), Deleware Co., N.Y.

The following are the only entries under NATHANIEL FITCH that are near the date 1781:

Nathaniel Fitch, son of Seymour, bap. March 4, 1770
New Canaan Church Rec. Vol. 1, p. 39

Nathaniel Fitch, son of Nathaniel, bap. July 22, 1797 (?)
in Canann, New Canaan Church, Rec. Vol. 1, p. 70

These don't seem to apply but the name Seymour Fitch is significant inasmuch as NATHANIEL FITCH of Falls Township has a son named Seymour.

The Seymour Fitch appearing in New Canann, see page 1 of this report, was Seymour Fitch, son of Lyndall, bap. June 27, 1742. New Canaan Church Records, Vol. 1, p. a6. He married Elizabeth Hait, April 7, 1763 (Ibid Vol. 1, p. 45.) Seymour Fitch, son of Seymour bap. July 22, 1764 (Ibid Vol. 1, p.33) Seymour Fitch married Patty St. John, both of Canaan, July 1, 1783 by Rev. Juston Nichols, New Canaan Church records, Vol. 1, p. 79. Seymour Fitch died April 24, 1799, New Canaan Church Records Vol. 1, p. 91.

Lindall may have married a Seymour girl first.

Sam Seymour calls a Seymour Fitch his grandson.

To have a Fitch grandson ~~some~~ daughter must have married a Fitch

*The only Seymore Fitch we have found was
Seymour, son of Lindall. Check Sam. Seymours
will. Jacobus thinks this probably was the explanation.*

Vol. 14, p. 409, April 20, 1781 .. Committee to Enquire into the character and conduct of a number of persons ... presented to us as Inimical and Dangerous to the Liberties and Independence of the United States of America .. Open and secret enemies .. Obadiah Wright, Nathan Burwell, Jr., Thomas Hanford, Nathan Jarvis, Thomas Fairweather, David Bolt, Peter White, Hezekiah Whitney ye 2nd, Nathan Gregory, Phillip Scribner, Hezekia Belden, John Belden, Edward Nash, Gershom Raymond, JAMES FILLIO, William Bolt, Ebenezer Church, David Lambert, Gold Hayt, Abraham Witney, John Sanders, JR. Garner Olmstead, Richard Patric, NATHAN FITCH, JOHN FITCH., all of Norwalk. (Note that James Fillio is in this list.)

Vol. 16, p. 191, Jan. 24, 1787 .. John Fitch, of Norwalk, for 160L to James Fillio, of Norwalk, 19 acres at Popple Plain. (This appears to be the last deed on record of John Fitch, son of John and Elizabeth)

Vol. 17 p. 15, Sept. 1, 1790. Joseph Olmstead, Nathan Olmstead, James Fillio and wife Mary, and Elizabeth Elzea, all of Norwalk, for 145L to Samuel Olmstead of Norwalk, all right to 27 3/4 acres 27 rods, at Chestnut Hill, with 1/2 acre at west end of the Woodland. (This deed was consulted because Elizabeth Elzea was the nearest thing in the index to Elizabeth Elis. If she is the same, she was Elizabeth (~~probably Olmstead~~) widow of John Fitch and Henry Elis, sister-in-law of James Fillio and mother of John Fitch who sold to James Fillio. Both John Fitch and James Fillio were listed as Tories.

prob. BEERS

Of the Fitch Family, the Fairfield Probate Records in FAirfield showed the following:

Vol. 9, p. 196 - Nathaniel Fitch of Norwalk, will dated April 5, 1742, proved June 20, 1743. Mentions wife Anna, what she brought and 80. Son John Fitch of Norwalk, Son Lindel Fitch, of Norwalk land in Canaan Parish, daughter Elizabeth, wife of Jabez Crane. Other daughters, Abigail and Mary Fitch. (Thomas 1, John 2, Nathaniel 3)

Anna Mallory (married name)

Hannah Raymond
m
Nath. Finch not Fitch

John Fitch, son of Nathaniel Fitch I

Son of Nathaniel Fitch and ~~Hannah Raymond~~ (Or Sarah Seely Frost)
prob. not

Born
Married
Died

Siblings: ~~Hannah~~, Lindall, ~~Dann~~, Seymour

Two John's or not? John son of John + Eliz. Hanford? John + ^{Elin. Beers?}
Maybe 3? or John son of Nathaniel or John, son of John, son of Nathaniel

John Fitch, Jr., Year 1748, File 2223, Town of Norwalk, District of Fairfield; will dated Jan. 26, 1747/8. Probated April 5, 1748. Mentions wife Elizabeth, eldest son Nathaniel, second son John, two daughters Elizabeth and Susanna, executors Samuel Fitch and Capt. Samuel Cluckston; Witnesses, Nathaniel Hayes, Garner Olmsted and Elna Hanford. Inventory dated March 21, 1748. Appraisers Asahel Raymond and Andrew Miles. (Thomas 1, John 2, Nathaniel 3, John 4)

— The Same —

Vol. 12, p. 446 - John Fitch of Norwalk, will dated August 25, 1748, proved Feb. 26, 1747-8. Wife, Elizabeth. Eldest son Nathaniel, 2nd son John, two daughters Elizabeth and Susanna. Mr. Samuel Fitch and Capt. Samuel Cluckston, executors. (See abstract files at Conn. State Library, p. 4 of this report) (Thomas 1, John 2, Nathaniel 3, John 4)

Vol. 1, page 205, March 22, 1786 .. John Fitch of Norwalk for £ 11, 12 s, to Ebenezer Guyer of Fairfield, land "in the parish of Norfield in Halls Long Lot, so called two acres and three quarters bounded ... southerly on the second Cross Highway .. easterly on land sett off to the heirs of Elizabeth King .. northerly on Aspretick River so called ... westerly in part on the Widow Sarah Guyer in part and in part on Fanton Beers land. Also southerly a small Gog (?) of two rods in width on Fanton Beers land, in his homestead. Witnesses: David Coley, Samuel Ogden. Recorded August 26, 1789.

Norwalk Land Records, continued:

Vol. 13, p.78 .. Feb. 24, 1767 .. Theophilus Fitch, of Norwalk, for love to son, John Fitch, land in Parish of Canaan at the upper Clabboard Hill with a dwelling house ... by estimation 6 acres, he to have 1 acre on which the house stands in consideration of his being my oldest son.

Vol. 13, pa. 213, Oct. 4, 1770 .. Jacob St. John, of Norwalk, for £ 92, 11 s., N.Y. money, to John Fitch of Norwalk, 20½ acres Buys at Silver mine. (This was the son of Theophilus Fitch)

Vol. 16, p. 441. Feb. 25, 1789 .. John Fitch and Joseph Fitch Sells of Norwalk, for 36 s N.Y. money, to Issac Richards of Norwalk, sedge flats at Barren Marsh Creek in NORwalk West fields (half of an undivided piece, the other half belonging to said Richards). (Probably son of Theophilus as that John had a brother, JOseph).

Vol. 17, p. 378. March 24, 1794 .. John Fitch of Norwalk for £ 675, to Elias and Stephen Bouton of Norwalk and Nathan Bouton of Stamford, four pieces in Norwalk at upper Clabboard Hills, vizt., my homestead land and all the buildings standing thereon, 82 acres; another piece 2 acres, another 8 acres, another in Silvermine road 21 acres. Witnesses: Abijah Taylor, Eliphalet Lockwood.

All deeds indexed under Elizabeth Fitch were studied and most of them related to Elizabeth wife of Samuel Fitch. All John Fitch grantor deeds were studied. Except for the early Nathaniel Fitch, the only Nathaniel Fitch deed is the sale by a Nathaniel of Norwalk, for \$592, to Andrew Powers on Nov. 9, 1799, of 5 rods with his dwelling house in parish of Canaan at Clabboard Hills. It is chiefly of interest as showing that the name Nathaniel may be found in the Theophilus or the Lindel branch which lived in New Canaan as well as the Nathaniel-John branch.

John Fitch, son of Theophilus, as indicated in the foregoing deeds, sold in 1794. The John Fitch we seek appears to have been in Pennsylvania by 1790 or earlier, so it is not likely John Fitch, son of Theophilus is our man.

Kellogg
(Weston)

Vil. 17, p. 345. Oct. 20, 1794 .. Lydia Fitch quitclaims all right I have in lands of my son, John Fitch, and resigns all my right in land which he lately sold to Elias, Nathan and Stephen Bouton, which I hold as my thirds in my late husband's estate. Signed by mark. Witnesses: Eseck Fitch., Thaddeus Betts, J.P.

Vol. 9, p. 4 of index lists

Ruth, daughter of John Fitch, born March 29, 1768

Eseck, son of John Fitch, born Nov. 26, 1769.

Vol. 19, p. 460 - John Fitch, Jr., of Norwalk. Bond appointing Dan Finch administrator. Inventory. List of debts. (See abstract files at Conn. State Library, p. 5 this report)

Vol. 15, p. 339 December 16, 1766. Nathaniel Fitch of Norwalk died. Administration granted to John Fitch, Jr. of Norwalk. (Thomas 1, John 2, Nathaniel 3, John Jr. 4, Nathaniel 5)

Vol. 23, p. 103. Distribution of estate of Nathaniel Fitch, of Norwalk made (pursuant to Court Order of March 21, 1786) to John Fitch 10 acres, 106 rods on Fitch's Plain, 2 acres of swamp at south end of plain, 2 acres of woodland at north end of plain, and 4 acres and 3 rods of swamp called Woolf Swamp. Elizabeth, wife of David King 2/3 of Homestead, house and barn. Each heir got 1/2 of the widow's thirds in the Homestead that she held in her son Nathaniel's Estate for life. (This proves that the distribution was of the estate of Nathaniel, son of John and Elizabeth. The distribution may have been delayed until after the death of his mother Elizabeth for Nathaniel seems to have died in 1766. His brother, John, administrator in 1766, must have then been of age, so born before 1745 and since he was called Jr. to distinguish him from John, son of Theophilus, who was born in 1740, he must have been born between 1740 and 1745 or at a guess 1742/3.

The Norwalk Land Records were studied and the following abstracts made relating to Fitch Family of the dates we seek:

Vol. 13, p. 21, Oct. 28, 1765. Elizabeth Fitch of Norwalk for 66L to my brother Nathaniel Fitch of same, 16 acres at Poplar Plain. (Nathaniel died 1766)

Vol. 13, p. 140. Jan 21, 1768. David King and wife, Elizabeth, of Fairfield to John Fitch, of Norwalk, 23 acres, excepting the one half of the one third part at the death of Elizabeth Elis, the wife of Henry Elis. (This seems to prove that the widow, Elizabeth married again, but there were no deeds indexed under this name, which was plainly written. Seems Eliz. Ellis was from the Beers Family)

Vol. 16, p. 72, Jan. 21, 1768 .. John Fitch of Norwalk, for 20L to David King, 3 acres at Poplar Plain.

Vol. 16, P. 72, Jan. 21, 1768 .. John Fitch, of Norwalk, to my sister Elizabeth King, wife of David King, 16 acres at Poplar Plain.

Vol. 16, p. 73, Jan. 21, 1768 .. John Fitch of Norwalk to David King and Elizabeth his wife, 1 acre on south side of Woolf Swamp.

Vol. 16, p. 73, Jan. 21, 1768 .. John Fitch of Norwalk to David King and Elizabeth his wife, 12 1/4 acres, 2 rods, 23 links at Woolf Swamp.

Eliz. Parents - John Fitch
Eliz. Bees Ellis

Elizabeth Fitch

m. 1767

David King - b. 1746

1. Nathaniel Fitch King 1768-1770-

a. SARAH

3. Elizabeth (Betsey) m. At Weston 1791 Wm. Griffith

David Parents - Richard King
SARAH Finch

Vol. 1, page 204. March 22, 1786 .. David King of Newtown, Fairfield County, Conn. for 2L/, 16 s, to Ebenezer Guyer of Fairfield, land "in the Parish of Norfield in Hulls Long Lot, so called, containing one acre of land bounded ... southerly on the Second Cross Highway and to extend northerly three rods in width up to Aspetick River, bounded northerly on said river. Easterly on the Widow Guyers land and westerly on said Guyers land that he lately purchased of John Fitch of Norwalk, it being the land that was set to my son, Nathaniel Fitch King, in the distribution of the widow, Elizabeth Eale's Estate late of Fairfield, deceased. Witnesses: David Ccley, John Fitch. Recorded August 1789.

The above deeds were given before Weston became a town, but related to Norfield, "Weston" land, were recorded three years later in Weston after it had become a town.

In 1794, Ebenezer Guyer, of Weston, bought from Jonathan Benedict and Huldah, his wife, of Danbury, one acre, but it was south of the Saugatuck River, formerly called the "overplush land". He also bought in 1795 from Eleazer Newcomb and Ann, his wife, of Geneva, Ontario County, New York, salt meadow in Greens Farm Parish in Fairfield. This land was in Fairfield, the section between that town and Norwalk, which is now Westport, and at that time would have been recorded in Fairfield. Why it was reported in Westport is not clear.

Other Fitch deeds in Weston were much later in date and none under the names of John or Nathaniel Fitch or any names that could have a bearing on this branch of the family.

The John Fitch who sold land in 1786 appears to be John Fitch 5, son of John 4, Nathaniel 3, John 2, Thomas 1.

Noting that John Fitch 5 sold to Ebenezer Guyer, the transfers under Guyer were studied and that search revealed the King Deed. This is helpful because it mentions the mother of John Fitch 5 under her second married name Elizabeth Eale. She married as her second husband, Henry Elis, or Eale. The name is Elizabeth Elis in Norwalk Land Records, Vol. 13, page 140, deed dated Jan. 21, 1768. It is evident that she left an estate as reference is made to a distribution, but there is no probate file at the State Library for an Elizabeth Eale, Eales, Elis, or Ells. If such could be found there might be mention of the Fitch grandchildren. Norwalk Probate District was constituted May session 1802 from Fairfield and Stamford, and it is possible the probate record volumes in Fairfield and Stamford would show something. At the State Library only such files as have been salvaged are available, but many documents now lost have been recorded in the record volumes at the Probate Record offices. At the Connecticut State Library there is a manuscript known as Mead's Abstracts of Stamford and Fairfield Probate Records and this was studied, but showed nothing for Elizabeth Eales or Elis.

pro. Elix. Beers

daughter of Ephriam + Susannah (Meeker) Beers

Yes, there
is her will.

Mr. Jacobus shows on the genealogical chart he included with his report Bushnell Fitch, son of John Fitch 3, John 2, Thomas 1st and Lydia Bushnell. There is noted the name of Bushnall Fitch, Nov. 4, 1794, on the list of members of the Episcopal Society in Canaan Parish. (An Historical address delivered in St. Mark's Parish, New Canaan, Conn., May 13, 1934, by the Rt. Rev. Stephen E. Keeler, p.8)

Thomas Fitch ① married Anne STacey
1612-1704

Sergt. Thomas 2 married Ruth Clark -1681 John ② married Rebecca Lindel 1674 b. 1653-

John ③ married Lydia Bushnell
1677-1760

Nathaniel ③ b. 1682 d. 1743
married 1 Elizabeth
married 2 by 1729, Sarah Seeley Frost

Matthew 4 Theophilus 4
Bushnell 4 Rebecca 4 Lydia 4

married 3 Anna Mallory

Beers?
John ④ married Elizabeth (Olmstead?)
1707-1748 she married 2
(called Jr. because Henry Elis or
his uncle was living Eales
in 1748)

Lindel 4
Seymour 5
Seymour 6

Nathaniel 5
1735-1766

Elizabeth 5
married David
King

John 5
1742/3

Susanna 5

perhaps married 1766
Elizabeth Lockwood 1
and 2 Molly

~~Ruth 6 born 1768~~ } *children of John, son of Theophilus*
~~Eseck 6 born 1769~~
Gideon 6 born 1771/2 ??
Nathaniel born 1781/2 ??
Betsy 6 bapt. 1784 ??

Thomas 1, John 2, Nathaniel 3, John 4, John 5, Nathaniel 6



June 16, 1842. The mother of this family died April 27, 1859.

In 1875, four years prior to her father's demise, Miss Henrietta Turney took hold of his business interests, associating with her her nephew, John Eastwood, and they have carried on the business ever since. Miss Turney has evidently inherited her father's financial ability and business capacity, for she has manifested a most surprising spirit of enterprise and progress in her management of the concern, to which she has given her personal attention and the greater part of her time. After the factory was provided with steam power, the trade was increased perceptibly, and as many as 150 hands are now given employment, the house meanwhile losing none of its former reputation for high-grade work. They turn out negligé shirts, which wholesale for \$75 per dozen, have manufactured goods for John Wanamaker, and also made underwear for President Cleveland during his first administration. The industry is one of the most important in this part of the county, and is a credit to the family who founded it and have carried it on.

John Eastwood was married May 17, 1882, to Miss Mary Etta Birch, daughter of Amos Birch, of Brewster, N. Y.; she died in January, 1890, leaving two children—Ida Eliza and Elbert Randall. For his second wife, he was married, June 29, 1892, to Miss Agnes Park, by whom he has had one child, Edna Ruth.

WALTER J. FITCH, one of the most venerable and highly-esteemed citizens, resides upon a pleasant homestead near Norwalk, an ideal spot in which to spend the evening of one's life. He is a native of this county, having been born at Norwalk December 11, 1816. His family is of good old English stock, but his ancestors were early settlers in this section.

James Fitch, the grandfather of our subject, was born in Norwalk, and became a farmer in the eastern part of the town. He married Miss **Esther Camp**, of Norwalk, and had the following children: **Burwell**, who died near Norwalk, Ohio, where he had been engaged in farming; **Esther**, wife of George Nash, a farmer of Westport, this county; **Stephen**, our subject's father; **Mary Ann**, who married George Day, a potter of South Norwalk, and a son of Rev. Absalom Day, a Methodist minister; **John H.**, deceased, formerly a farmer in Norwalk; **Julia and Susan** (deceased), who never married.

Stephen Fitch, the father of our subject, was born in Norwalk May 7, 1792, and passed his

life in that locality, following agriculture as an occupation. During the war of 1812 he played an honorable part as a soldier, and throughout his life was an active worker in the Whig organization, and in the Methodist Church in his neighborhood. On December 31, 1815, he married **Miss Cornelia Hoyt**, daughter of Walter Hoyt, a farmer of the same township. Of the two children of this union, our subject was the elder. **Cornelia H.**, the younger, married **James K. Price**, a native of Bethel, who is now a hatter in Oakland, Cal. The mother died September 12, 1841, the father on March 31, 1869.

Mr. Fitch grew to manhood in the town of Norwalk, his education being obtained in the local schools. He learned the carriage maker's trade, but finding it uncongenial he did not follow it. On February 3, 1839, he married **Miss Huldah A. Foot**, who was born in Weston, this county, a daughter of Reuben Foot, a carpenter, and his wife, Mary. Soon after his marriage Mr. Fitch moved to New York, where he was engaged in the ice business until 1853. He then returned to Norwalk and continued that business for about fifteen years, but he has since lived a retired life. His present homestead was purchased soon after his return from New York, and he has made many improvements on the place including the comfortable residence. He and his wife have had three children, none of whom are now living. Mr. Fitch has not taken an especially active part in politics, but he has always felt an interest as a citizen in the questions of his day, and he is a stanch believer in the principles and policy of the Republican party.

NATHANIEL E. ADAMS (deceased). For several generations the name of Adams has been prominently identified with the local history of Fairfield county, and ancestors of this same family have for several centuries been closely connected with the history of England.

Nathaniel E. Adams was born in Greenwich, Conn., July 7, 1807, a son of John (3), a grandson of John (2), both well-known citizens of Greenwich, and a great-grandson of John Adams (1), who settled in Greenwich in 1717.

John Adams was born April 17, 1779, in Greenwich, Conn., and died October 2, 1826. His entire life was passed in the town of his nativity, and there, on February 27, 1804, he wedded **Mary Hobby**, who was born February 14, 1774. Of this union the following children were born, their names, with dates of birth, being: **Mary E.**, May 23, 1805; **Nathaniel E.**; **Marilda H.**, September 15, 1809; **Susan C.**, December

Thomas Fitch 1700 to July 18, 1774

Lawyer, colonial governor, was the great grandson of Thomas Fitch, one of the earliest settlers of Norwalk, CT., and was born in that town, the son of Thomas Fitch, Jr., and his wife Sarah. As a member of the town's wealthiest and most prominent family, he entered readily into the inner political group of the colony of CT and by his own abilities gained a position of leadership. He graduated from Yale College in 1721 and three years later married Hannah Hall of New Haven, who bore him eight children. He began his political career in 1726 as deputy from Norwalk to the General Assembly, serving on four subsequent occasions during the next five years. He was an Assistant in 1734-35 and again during 1740-50, when, upon the death of Gov. Jonathan Law and the advancement of Duputy Gov. Roger Wolcott, he was chosen deputy governor by the Assembly over the heads of the three senior Assistants. He was re-elected by the freemen in each of the three following years. In 1754, when Gov. Wolcott came under popular suspicion in connection with the embezzlement of most of the cargo of a Spanish ship which had put into New London harbor in distress, as a result, Fitch attained the distinction of being the first man to defeat a Connecticut governor for re-election when the latter was an avowed candidate. Fitch was elected governor and held the office continually thereafter until 1766 when he was defeated because of his attitude in the Stamp Act Controversy. Although regularly nominated for the magistracy in each of the remaining years of his life, he was never again elected. He was a deputy from Norwalk in 1772, but never held any royal appointments in Mass. as has sometimes been inferred.

Fitch was a lawyer by profession. In this capacity he served the colony on several occasions, including notably the land controversy with the Mohican Indians and the dispute with Mass. over the boundry. He was given charge of the revision of the laws of Conn., a task which he completed with some assistance in 1749. As deputy governor from 1750 to 1754 he was regularly appointed, as was the custom, chief judge of the superior courts. Many years after Fitch's death, President Dwight of Yale referred to him as probably the most learned lawyer who has ever been an inhabitant of the Colony. He had various other interests as well. In 1740 together with two associates, he secured from the Assembly a 15-year monopoly of the right to make steel within the colony, experiments in which enterprise conducted at Simsbury were reported as successful four years later. As a young man, he served as a supply for the pulpit of the Norwalk Church and in 1765 there appeared a tract, attributed to Fitch, which analyzed the Saybrook Platform of the consociated churches of Connecticut.

It was however, in his capacity as governor during a term which included the last intercolonial war and the Stamp Act controversy that he was the most distinguished. He was an ardent supporter of the BRITISH cause during the war and was largely responsible for the fact that the Connecticut Assembly more than once exceeded its quota of troops, although he did not entirely escape the impatient criticism of the British commanders-in-chief. When, after the close of the war, proposals were first made for parliamentary taxation of the colonies, the Assembly requested Fitch and certain others to draw up the objections of the Colony to such legislation. The resulting "book of Reasons" for which the governor was chiefly responsible was a clear and concise statement of the constitutional, historical and economic arguments of the colony against the proposed stamp tax. (Reasons why the British colonies in America should not be charged with Internal taxes, by authority of Parliament; Humbly Offered for Consideration in Behalf of the Colony of Connecticut, 1764)

Fitch's legalistic mind, which had been most helpful in this work caused his downfall when the Stamp Act had finally been passed. Although he was unsympathetic to the tax, he believed in submission to parliamentary enactment and considered logical reasoning and sound arguments, but which completely ignored the feelings and passions of the colonists. (Some reasons that influenced the governor to take, and the Councillors to Administer the Oath, Required by the Act of Parliament; commonly called the Stamp Act. Humbly submitted to the Consideration of the Publick, 1766) Neither this pamphlet, however, nor the support of the conservatives of the colony, was able to save him in the election of May 1766. Although little is known about his personality, he displayed in all his actions a high sense of duty, courage, and an outlook on politics which extended beyond the confines of his little colony and included the larger world of the British Empire.

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THOMAS FITCH	AND	ANNE STACIE
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THOMAS FITCH III	AND	SARAH ST. JOHN
GOV. THOMAS FITCH	AND	HANNAH HALL
TIMOTHY FITCH	AND	ESTHER PLATT
THOMAS FITCH	AND	NANCY CARVER
SARAH ESTHER FITCH	AND	JOSHUA ORR
EDUFUS LINLEY ORR	AND	CATHERINE S. GOODSSELL
EMMA KATHERINE ORR	AND	CHARLES WILLIAM THOMAS
MARNA CATHERINE THOMAS	AND	EDGAR JESS WALLACE, JR.
ROBERT EDGAR WALLACE	AND	BARBARA ANN MORGAN
	AND	LOUISA JANE HAMILTON MALONEY

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LAURA A. FITCH	AND	ALBERT T. DELONG

LAURA A. FITCH GENEALOGY

Thomas Fitch I	1612-1704	
m.		5 children
Anne Stacie		
 Capt. Thomas Fitch II	 1630-1684/90	
m.		
Ruth Clark	1641-	4 children
 Thomas Fitch III	 1665-1731	
m.		4 children
Sarah St. John		
 Gov. Thomas Fitch	 1700-1774	
m. 1724		
Hannah Hall		10 children
 Timothy Fitch	 1735/38-1802	
m.		13 children
Esther Platt	1739/45-1816	
 Thomas Fitch	 1786-1855	(one account says that Thomas died in 1872 in Woodstock, Ill.)
m. 1806		
Nancy Carver	1786-	6 children
 Henry Fitch	 1807-1878	
m. 1829		12 children
Rebecca Bowman	1811-1878	
 Laura A. Fitch	 1844-	
m. 1868		3 children
Albert T. DeLong		

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m.		
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m. 1806		
Nancy Carver	1786	

Joshua Orr	1817-1856
m. 1840	
Sarah "Sally" Esther Fitch	1823-1895

Edufus Linley Orr	1852-1912
m.	
Catherine S. Goodsell	1852-1900

Charles William Thomas	1888-1911
m. 1907	
Emma Katherine Orr	1886-1961

Edgar Jess Wallace, Jr. 1906-1984
m. 1930
Marna Catherine Thomas 1909-1996

Robert Edgar Wallace 1931-
m. 1957

1. Barbara Ann Morgan
m. 1969
2. Louisa Jane Hamilton Maloney

A John Fitch that died in 1792, town of Norwalk. 3 documents
bond dated April 16, 1792, appointing Dan Finch (~~Fitch~~)? admin-
istrator with Joseph Lockwood, surety. Inventory dated Sept. 7,
1792, appraisers, Stephen Keeler.

Probably the son
of our PA John
who was this John who
went back to CT for a
visit, prob got married
and died there.

John Fitch, son of Gideon of PENNSYLVANIA

Son of Gideon Fitch and Elizabeth-Whitleek Hannah

Born 1792

Married Lucinda ~~Culver~~

Died 1831

Siblings: Joseph, Rhoda, Susan, Elizabeth, Gideon, Jr.,
Polly, William, Emeline, Lorenzo Dow

Gideon had 5 children by a "Hannah" first so John would have been son of Gideon and Hannah, not Elizabeth

John Fitch of Pennsylvania, father of Gideon and Nathaniel

Gideon Fitch born 1771

Nathaniel Fitch born 1781/2

Settled on lands that were bought and set aside for settlers by the Susquehanna Company.

Deeded his land over to Gideon and Nathaniel after controversy.

"and being one of the 17 townships in Luzerne Co. as by certificate granted to John Fitch by order of the commissioners appointed in a commission to put in force the act of the General Assembly of Pa., on April 4, 1799". "John Fitch is the owner as a Connecticut claimant of 241 acres and 40 perches" of LAND in the township of Northmoreland, one of the before mentioned 17 townships, being number 37 in the single tier of that township that was severally occupied by a Connecticut claimant, an actual settler there before the time of the Decree of Trenton (1782) and was particularly assigned to such actual settler prior to the said decree agreeable to the regulations then in force among such settlers.

John Fitch's neighbors were Matthew Sherwood from Danbury, David Morehouse, Henry Roberts, Thaddeus Taylor. And the Keelers were from Ridgefield, Conn., not far from Norwalk. The Morehouse children were baptized in Weston, close to Norwalk.

March 23, 1806 .. Uriah Smith, Northmoreland, married Sally, daughter of John Fitch of Northmoreland.

Also, June 5, 1803 .. Jeremiah Shaw, Jr., Sheshequin, married Betsey Fitch.

John Fitch is listed in the 1810 census as 45 and over and wife also, but is not listed in the 1820 census. Tradition says he went back to Connecticut and died there." *Prob. wrong.*

a MARY FITCH relinquished her right to the PA lands under the Connecticut title, Feb. 1802. *Prob. Prince Alden family not sure.*

One family account says that John Fitch settled immediately after the Wyoming Massacre which was in 1778, and settled on the Kingston Flats which is now the borough of Kingston. That is not where the cemetery, etc. is now. It is in Falls Township, Wyoming County.

1800 census .. John Fitch had one male between 16 and 26, besides himself 45 and up, and females up to 10, 1 female 10 to 16, 2 females 16 to 26, and 1 female 45 and up, probably his wife.

John - over 45

Nathaniel - 16-26

Wife - over 45

Sarah, Betsy 16-26

Lydia ?

?

John Fitch of Northmoreland Township, Luzerne, PA., in the 1820 census. Age 26 to 45 with 2 males under 10, 1 female 10 to 16, 1 female 26 to 45. Meaning he would have been born between 1776 and 1794. 1776 plus 20 for marriage age would be about 1796. Gideon's John was born in 1792. Could be, but he would have been married quite young, like 18 or under.

not listed in the 1820 census of Luzerne County although there is a John Fitch, a younger man, who was the son of Gideon Fitch, as proved by the land and probate records of that county.

Our John - Reported as dying in Tunkhannock, PA in 1815
age (68) by Luzerne newspaper
Reports shows (78) yrs

1815	1815
- 68	- 78
<hr/> 1747	<hr/> 1737

John Fitch and Molly

Had a daughter named Betsey who was baptized, May 20, 1784, at the St. John's Episcopal Church, Stamford, Conn.

however, of a copy of Stamford Church records, made by S.P. Mead and on file at Conn. State Library and only entry under John Fitch was the baptism of Betsy Fitch, daughter of John and Molly Fitch of Norwalk on May 20, 1784 (St. John's Episcopal Church) Mead's abstract of Stamford Probate Records, Vol. covering years 1729-1802, showed in the will of Sarah Mead, late of Greenwich, widow of Capt. Jabez Mead, dated June 28, 1786, and probated May 3, 1787, the names of Ebenezer Fitch and Giles Fitch, sons of a deceased Niece, Lydia Fitch.

The same day Betsey was baptised

*Joseph & Eunice Lockwood bapt. a baby
from ~~Wilton~~ Norwalk*

*Samuel & Olive Fitch bapt. a baby
from ~~Wilton~~ Norwalk*

*They would be neighbors of John Fitch
son of Nathaniel's descendants*

*Nathaniel
John
John*

*Why these 3 families would have gone to
Stamford to have their babies baptised
is a mystery.*

*Unless it was because St. Paul's in Norwalk
had not been rebuilt yet? These Fitches
would have been of the Episcopal Church.*

JONATHAN FITCH

The earliest Fitch noted in Luzerne Co., Pa. is Jonathan Fitch who was in Westmoreland as early as Aug. 8, 1775. At a meeting of the Proprietors and Settlers on that day, a committee was chosen of inspection for "ye town of Westmoreland" and he was voted a member of that committee. (Proceedings of the Wyoming and Geological Society vol. 4, p. 106)

The list of Taxables for the Wilkes-Barre District of Westmoreland, August 1776, gives Jonathan Fitch (Ibid vol. 5, p.209) and the list of "up the river" for the same year gives Lemuel Fitch. The only record found later of Lemuel Fitch is administration of his estate. Hallet Gallup, administrator, bond of 500L, dated August 21, 1794, with Nathaniel Landon as surety, and account Feb. 20, 1800. No record of an inventory or account was found in the probate files in the Register of Wills. Jonathan Fitch is also listed in 1778 in the Wilkes-Barre District (Ibid vol. 5, p. 23) and again in a "True List of the Polls and Estates of the town of Westmoreland" of August 20, 1780 (Ibid vol. 5, p. 241).

(Rev. James Fitch does have a grandson named Lemuel, born in 1703, probably too old for this Lemuel, but this just shows that the name Lemuel was in the Rev. James family.) B.F.

The Westmoreland Litchfield Co., Conn. Probate Records, Liber A. Jan. 6, 1777 to June 16, 1783, are in possession of the Wyoming Historical and Geological Society, Wilkes-Barre, Pa., and the name of Jonathan Fitch appears therein as appraiser of estates and surety of administrators' bonds. (Ibid vol. 18, pp. 142, 171, 186, 199, 201, 203, 205, and 207). He was for five years High Sheriff of Westmoreland (History of Wyoming by C. Miner, published 1845, appendix p. 50) and a Representative to the Connecticut Assembly from the town of Westmoreland in 1780 and 1781 (public records of the State of Connecticut, 1780-1781, vol. 3, pp. 3 and 370). The land records of Luzern County show that he married _____ Sill. "Pioneer and Patriot Families of Bradford Co., Pa., 1800-1825", by C.F. Heverly, published 1915, vol. 2, p. 213, state she was Esther Sill, daughter of Jabez and Elizabeth (Noyes) Sill who moved to the Wyoming Valley from Lyme, Connecticut, being one of five families who settled at Wilkes-Barre in 1772.

The records of Luzerne County do not reveal from whence Jonathan Fitch came, but the following land records are noted in his name in Luzerne County.

Dec. 15, 1779. Thomas Porter of Woodbury, Litchfield County, Conn., for 400L quits to Jonathan Fitch of the town of Westmoreland, county of Westmoreland, in the said state, all interest in a tract of land lying in said Westmoreland beginning at a walnut staddle at the Northeast corner of said lot bounding the highway running through the town plat of Wilkesbury District in said town of Westmoreland thence extending southerly with the line of said

highway to a stake standing at a corner of William Judd's land thence extending with the line of said Judd's land Westerly to the highway that runs through between the first and second division of meadow lots, so called thence extending Northerly with the line of said road to the corner of Jabez Sill's land, thence Easterly to the aforementioned bounds being the one and one-half meadow lot of the whole.

signed - Thomas Porter

Witnesses: John Smith and Abigail Hubbard, Acknowledged in Litchfield (upstate from Norfolk B.F.) County, Conn. before Daniel Everitt, J.P. Recorded Feb. 19, 1789. (Luzerne Co., Pa. Deeds Book 1, p. 127)

April 1, 1783. Jonathan Fitch of the town and county of Westmoreland deeds for 150L the above-mentioned lot to Thomas Porter of said town and county aforesaid.

signed -- Jonathan Fitch

Witnesses: Jacob Sills, Jr. and Moses Sill. Their acknowledgement states that Jonathan Fitch is their brother-in-law. This acknowledgement was dated Dec 1, 1788 in Luzerne County before Timothy Pickering, Esq. Received to be recorded Dec. 1, 1788. (Ibid Book 1, p. 98)

Sept. 12, 1783. Jonathan Fitch of Wyoming, Northumberland Co., Pa., quits all my right in a dwelling house in which I now live together with 1 3/4 acres of land thereto belonging with the well and all other privileges thereon belonging, unto John Ryon of said Wyoming for 40 Spanish milled dollars.

signed - - Jonathan Fitch

Witnesses: Abner Kelly and Henry Harding. Received for record Dec. 31, 1788. (Ibid Book 1, p. 114). This deed was made when Luzerne County was a part of Northumberland, but not recorded until after Luzerne was erected. The land records in the Recorder's Office at Sunbury, the county seat of Northumberland County, do not give any early records in the Fitch name.

May 28, 1788. Jonathan Fitch of the town and county of Montgomery, New York, quits to Moses Sill for 45L all his title in a tract of land lying in Wyoming in the District of Wilkesberry, Pa., containing about 1 3/4 acres with a dwelling house thereon, it being part of a house lot fronting southerly on the highway running from the Susquehanna River easterly thence, that was called the meeting house Greene and easterly on lands belonging to Mr. Benjamin Bailey and being part of the lot the said Bailey now lives on and northerly on lands belonging to one Allen and westerly on lands belonging to the heirs of Asa Stephens and one Garnsey, deceased.

signed -- Jonathan Fitch

Witnesses: Obadiah Gore, Judge of the Court of Common Pleas and Avery Gore. Recorded June 2, 1788. (Ibid Book 1, p. 49.)

Further search was made in the published material on Tioga and Broome Counties, N.Y. as Binghamton where Jonathan Fitch resided after removing from Luzerne Co. was a part of Tioga Co. until March 28, 1806 when Broome County was erected. Tioga County, N.Y. was erected Feb. 16, 1791 from Montgomery County. I made this search endeavoring to learn from whence Jonathan Fitch came to the Wyoming Valley and if he bore relationship to the Fitch family whose ancestry we are seeking.

Jonathan Fitch was Supervisor of Owego, Tioga Co., N.Y. for the year 1793 (A Memorial History of Tioga Co., N.Y. edited by L. W. Kingman, p. 262)

Also Treasurer of Tioga Co., for the same year (Historical Gaze-
teer of Tioga Co., N.Y., 1785-1788, by W. B. Gay, no date, p. 55;
Memorial History of Tioga Co., p. 63).

A member of the New York Assembly for the year 1782 (History of
Tioga, Chemung, Tompkins and Schuyler Cos., N.Y. published 1879,
p. 88).

He was a merchant from Wyoming and appointed a Judge (Annals of
Binghamton, N.Y. by J. R. Wilkinson, published 1872, p.52).

Fitch's Creek received its name from him and he built the first
grist mill in 1790 at or near the mouth of the creek. (History
of Broome Co., N.Y. by H.P. Smith, published 1885, part 2, p.485)

None of the land records in Luzerne Co., Pa. give the signature of
the wife of Jonathan Fitch and neither are signatures of the wives
found in many other early deeds of that county. Since these fam-
ilies were from Connecticut, where the wife did not sign during
the life of her husband, probably that accounts for the omission
of the wife's name in many of the records.

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Husband's Name

[Samuel FITCH](#) (AFN:QH2V-QC)

[Pedigree](#)

Born: Jul 1698 **Place:** Norwalk, Fairfield, Ct
Died: Aug 1787 **Place:** Norwalk, Fairfield, Ct
Married: 1719 **Place:** Norwalk, Fairfield, Ct

Father: [Thomas FITCH](#) (AFN:LP5X-7M)

[Family](#)

Mother: [Elizabeth LANE](#) (AFN:MJ84-C1)

Wife's Name

[Susannah BELDEN](#) (AFN:QH2V-N1)

[Pedigree](#)

Born: Abt 1698 **Place:** Norwalk, Fairfield, Ct
Married: 1719 **Place:** Norwalk, Fairfield, Ct

Father: [Daniel BELDEN](#) (AFN:8PGK-FQ)

[Family](#)

Mother:

Children

1. Sex Name

F [Susannah FITCH](#) (AFN:J050-BR)

[Pedigree](#)

Born: 1720 **Place:** Norwalk, Fairfield, Connecticut
Died: 7 Oct 1747 **Place:**

2. Sex Name

F [Elizabeth FITCH](#) (AFN:9ZMW-PL)

[Pedigree](#)

Born: 1724 **Place:** Norwalk, Fairfield, Connecticut

3. Sex Name

M [Samuel jr FITCH](#) (AFN:QH2V-CG)

[Pedigree](#)

Born: 1727 **Place:** Norwalk, Fairfield, Ct
Died: 11 Oct 1811 **Place:** , , Conn

4. Sex Name

M [Daniel FITCH](#) (AFN:QH2V-FS)

[Pedigree](#)

Born: 1730 **Place:** Norwalk, Fairfield, Connecticut
Died: 1788 **Place:**

5. Sex Name

F [Anne FITCH](#) (AFN:QH2V-JB)

[Pedigree](#)

Born: 1734 **Place:** Norwalk, Fairfield, Ct
Died: 28 Apr 1797 **Place:**

6. Sex Name

M [Jonathan FITCH](#) (AFN:QH2V-KH)

[Pedigree](#)

Born: 1743 **Place:** Norwalk, Fairfield, Ct
Died: 7 Jul 1773 **Place:**

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May 18, 1995

Ms. Betty L. Fitch
14615 Auburn Road
Ft. Wayne, IN 46845

Dear Ms. Fitch:

I think the pedigree you sent me mixes up several different men named John Fitch.

1. John⁵ (John⁴, John³, John², James¹), b. at Canterbury, 11 Jan. 1756. According to Barbour's *Fitch Family* mss. at the CT State Libr., he m. Clarissa Wales and had children, James, John, Lucius and Clarissa. According to Church Recs., John d. at Windham 23 Jun. 1807 age 51.

2. Capt. John⁵ (Benjamin⁴, Pelatiah³, Samuel², James¹), b. at Norwich, 2 Jul. 1749. According to Raymond L. Fitch's *Fitches in the American Revolution*, he's the one who was made a commissary with the rank of captain. He m. Irene Warner and had children Rebecca, John, Benjamin, and a daughter.

3. According to the Rogers Collection at the CT State Libr., the John that had children Gideon and Nathaniel was from Fairfield (near Norwalk), so he prob. descended from Thomas Fitch, not James. He m. Elizabeth Lockwood 6 Nov. 1766. Nathaniel was b. Fairfield Cty., 12 Feb. 1782. I don't have a birthdate for Gideon. (They also had a younger bro. John.) John lived at Luzerne Cty., PA, but I don't know where he died.

had to be older bro

Hope this is helpful. And I hope you enjoy the book about Rev. James. Did the publisher also tell you about the book on the English Ancestors? That would apply to your John Fitch, even if he didn't descend from Rev. James.

Sincerely,

John T. Fitch
John T. Fitch

1790

1742

48

John was probably under 45 in 1790
according to census & 2 males over 16

1790

1771

19

Gideon

~~Essex~~?

John T. Gideon
Essex, Mass.

Children										Spouse				Gr. Parents				Occupation			
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